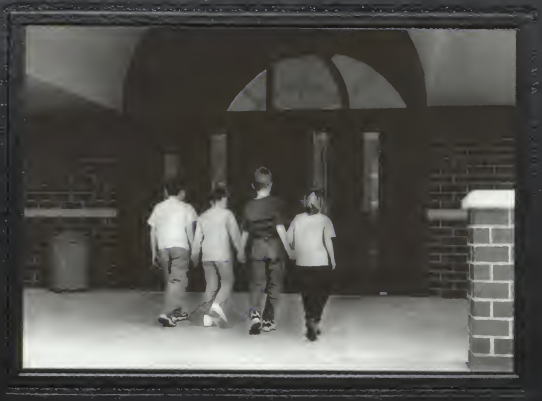
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Home of the "Red Devils"



The journey through school begins with the innocence of elementary school. Throughout this trip, friendships have been made, knowledge has been garnered, and life-long lessons have been learned. This yearbook tells the story of one such journey, culminating to the entrance into adulthood.

-Rachel Engels

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(Karl Poppe: Perfect Attendance No More!)



Life can be likened to a series of roadtrips, with each stage traveling to new destinations and experiencing various encounters. High school is no different than any phase of life. Just as the trip may be long and arduous, so can the trip through school. For those just starting out, however, the journey beginning as freshmen may be new, even exciting. New friends are made along the way and vital lessons about life are learned. As with any journey, things may not always run exactly along the smoothest course. Traffic jams, break-downs, and detours may be encountered. Similarly, high school has its own obstacles to contend with, whether they be presented by administrators, teachers, or peers. To go along with that, a road trip can almost only be as pleasurable as who accompanies you on the trip; friends could make it as fun as possible while parents or siblings could perhaps suck any joy out of it. The enjoyment derived from high school, then, is largely dependent upon your friends (or lack thereof) and those who facilitate you on your journey of self-discovery as they are doing the same themselves.



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Now the journey nears its conclusion for seniors, with this stage of our lives coming to a close. Our next destination is the step to our futures and whatever we make of it, whether it be attending college, entering the workforce, or simply finding our place in the world.

--Rachel Engels

Student Life

"The Other Side"



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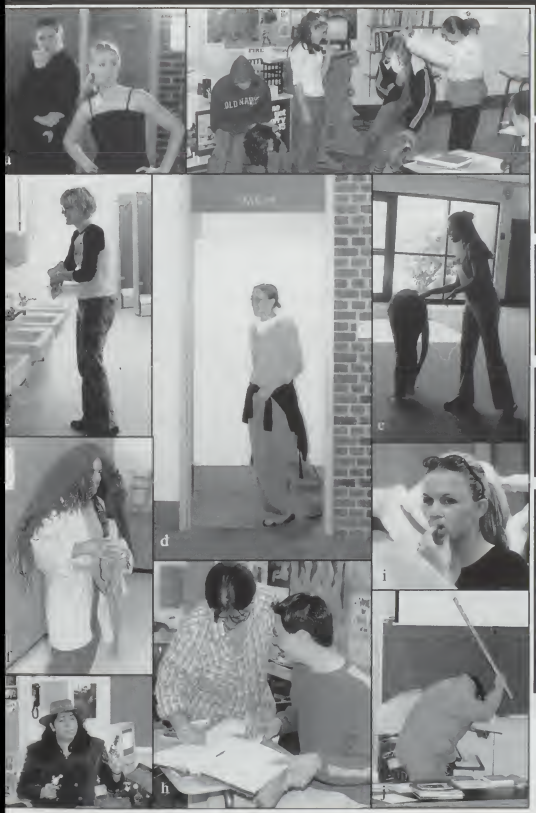
a Here Nick Williams is disgusted with the remarks from his fellow peers. b "Don't worry, I'm still a superstar!" Sami Rader exclaims after a fall in the middle of the locker bay. c Keith Powers is known to stand out in a crowd. d Josh Sewell says, "School lunches are MMM good!" e Jennie Blandford gets pumped up before she takes a dive in the pool.

At eigth o'clock in the morning on a school day in theTri-Creek School Corporation, a student is greeted by the teacher. The typical day continues with a variety of activities: finger-painting, spelling bees, writing, reading the *Berenstein Bears*, adding and subracting, and coloring for those elementary students; your basic sewing, cooking, math, English, science and history classes, and the classic awkward gym class of the ever-growing middle school student; and the chemistry, advanced art, shop, AP Lit, and biology classes of the high school student. Students act calm, cool, and collected out of respect for their elders. You will find individuals sitting upright in their seat and continuously taking notes. Usually a quieter voice is used as you talk among your friends. Now on the other side we have personalities that we want to distinguish to others. There is fun that comes along with acting weird and crazy. It may involve driving to drive-thru's just to say "Waaaaaazzzzuuuppp?!," or dancing in the halls of school. While this is not unique to Lowell, Indiana, it is the common day of students throughout the nation. When one thinks of "school" or education in the state of Indiana, the aforementioned activities probably come to mind. However, if one were to ask the student experiencing these activities what they would describe as a "common" school day, the answer may be different (and something other than "boring!") The journey of a student contains much more than these common educational activities and courses…

Although going through the same exact routine everday can have its benefits and an upside, it restricts the individuality of each student. We are forced to conform to our 8 to 3:00 p.m. schedule with the restrictions of dress and behavior codes, making it hard for one to show his/her wild and crazy side. It can be found, though, in clothing, hairstyles, body art, car decor, or even on book covers. It is, essentially, the differences in people that make life spicy. The Other Side of a student includes those dreams, aspirations, thoughts, and zany times when a student can let loose and shed those social mores that surround a school (compliments of teachers, parents, and other institutions that dictate how we may or may not think and act):

Chasing the girls during recess.
Passing notes during lecture on quadratic equations.
E-mailing friends and/or finding your soul-mate during yearbook class.
Falling in the middle of the mall just to get a rise out of your friends.
Crazy Thursdays-Dressing crazy or in Bears attire
Dressing in Halloween attire and going to the local grocery store.
Hitting objects, in your car, to get points.
Running into poles and closed doors.
Starting clubs--Babysitters Club, West Creek Kids Club, etc.
Hunting for secret treasures.
Making music videos.

What is something funny or abnormal that you have witnessed this year?



Senior Quote:

"Meredith Cusic crashed the golf cart into the fence during an athletic event."

-Kelly Cosgrove

Senior Quote:

"When a few friends tricked Tim Sova into drinking Power's urine."

-Randy Hacker and Joe Monaldi

Junior Quote:

"There was 3 mice spotted in A15 and Dave Bruckman caught them in his shoe and set them free to roam the hallways or perhaps another class." -Jenn Jansky

Junior Quote:

"During Spirit Week, on super Hero Day, Anthony Shoun and Dan Blaskovich dressed as quail man and wore their underwear on the outside of their pants." -Debra Ballas

a) Jason Angus and Andrea Marvel b) Alana Garton and friends having fun c) Racheal Engels, (Gee I hope she used soap) d) "Oops four years and I'm still making wrong turns," says Michelle Bates. e) Shelley Vandercar and Kelly Quanstrom (You decide) f) Is that a bag lady or Mr. Sufana? g) "Shoot just call me Cowgirl" exclaims Jessica Klidaras h) Academics or Cleavage: Which one is Jimmy Lentz or Racheal McNeilly focusing on? i) Carol Burke in deep though j) Frankenstein

Graduation


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The Lowell High School Commencment of 2001 took place on Sunday, June 10th, 2001 at 2:00 p.m. The event kicked-off with the pre-ceremony music provided by the Lowell High School band. As the processional began, the proud friends and family remained seated, anticipating the arrival of the first class of the millenium. Mr. Kovarik, first year band conductor, led the band in playing the classic tune "Pomp and Circumstance" by Edward Elgar.

Next was the welcome by Mr. Lee Brown, 4th year principal at Lowell High School. These graduates were just entering high school when Mr. Brown joined the high school. Thus, he had a bit of a special connection with this particular class. The Presentation of Colors were conducted by the AFJROTC Honor Guard--a part of the fine ROTC program that is here at LHS. The crowd stood for this, as they remained standing for the National Anthem.

Following the National Anthem, the traditional Salutatorian and Valedictorian Addresses were given. Salutatorian Christa Owens went first. She talked about the ocean and how the seniors were leaving the shore. It was an interesting and inspiring metaphor for what the 2001 seniors were about to face. After Christa gave her moving speech, Valedictorian Rachel Engels presented her speech (in which the LHS administration willingly helped her with). Mr. Andy Anderson then provided some entertainment with the graduation song--"We've Come So Far"--presented by the Lowell High School choir.

At the conclusion of this song, Principal Lee Brown presented the class of 2000 (oops! 2001) and then Dr. Yeoman, Assistant Principals Mrs. Andrews and Mr. Chelap, the Tri-Creek School Board, Mr. Brown presented the diplomas. One by one, students approached the stage and officially graduated from Lowell High School as Mr. John Anderson read the student names.

The traditional senior video followed. Seniors look forward to this great way of looking back at particular moments of the journey that led to this point.

Finally, the turning of the tassel was announced and the seniors celebrated by tossing their caps high into the air. The seniors walked out to the tune of "Fanfare and Recessional" as the crowd anticipated seeing--and hugging--their son or daughter.

What was your favorite moment from Graduation 2001?



"My favorite moment was when we finally got to turn our tassels."

-Jen Kleefisch

"My favorite part was receiving my diploma. To shake Dr. Yeoman's hand and walk across the stage in front of all those people--it was amazing."

-Dawn Grutzius

"My favorite part was when my mother embraced me in Devil's Commons. I cried so hard as I trembled with joy. However, I'm really going to miss Lowell High School."

-Katy Hall

"We both agree that our favorite moment was when a nervous Mr. Brown said, 'Class of 2000' instead of '2001'."

-Sami Rader and Kristen Daugherty

Left: The familiar sign on Route 2. (Opposite page): a) Mr. Brown greets the graduates b) Emily Iliff and Danielle Johnson anxiously await to receive their diplomas c) Chad Griner shakes the hand of Dr. Yeoman d) Becca Campa is experiencing the turning of the tassel e) Erik Decker and Bridget De Lau are relieved as they begin the recessional f) Jessica Conner, Kristen Daugherty, Sami Rader and Jen Kleefisch are all smiles after the ceremony.

#1 Katie Arnold
#2 Liz Blankenbecker
#3 Christi Brill
#4 Sara Bruce
#5 Nikki Chermak
#6 Jessica Conner
#7 Kelly Cosgrove
#8 Holley Denton
#9 Chrissy Grabinski
#10 Christina Kincaid
#11 Linda Kiszka
#12 Christina Lutgen
#13 Andrea Marvel
#14 Katie Moldenhauer
#15 Erica O'Conner
#16 Christa Owens
#17 Kelly Quanstrom
#18 Emily Rosinko
#19 Steph Schulfer
#20 Beth Shelhart
#21 Eva Slinn
#22 Amanda Swank
#23 Beth Weeks

Junior Miss 2001

"Lil Bit Country"











a..Traditionally the contestants ride in convertibles for the parade. Adding a little variety to the parade Beth Shelhart and Jessica Conner ride in a truck with hydraulics.

b...Katie Arnold's talent was an inspiring speech as Roseanne Rosanna Danna.

c...How you present yourself is one portion of the Jr. Miss program. The girls wear formals when they perform presence and composure.

d...Kids and their grandparents was what Holley Denton told a skit about.

e...Sara Bruce's talent was singing a song from the Disney movie Mulan.

Lowell's Junior Miss

Scholarships for higher education are an important part of Junior Miss, but there is much more. Participation offers the opportunity to make new friends, to experience the thrills and the excitement of competition and a chance to grow through new experiences.

The contestants first met on July 12th at the Junior Miss tea, where they learned more about Jr. Miss. Between July 12th and the program, Sept. 9th, the girls practiced, practiced, practiced, but not without having a little fun in between with special events like go karting, a slumber party, and the Lowell Labor Day Parade.

Though some believe the Jr. Miss program to be a "Beauty Pageant," the contestants are judged by a panel of evaluators in the following categories.....fitness 15%, presence and composure 15%, judges' interview 25%, creative and performing arts 25%, and scholastics 20%. This year the judges chose Christa Owens to be Lowell's 2001 Jr. Miss.

Indiana's State Junior Miss

This year Lowell's 2001 Jr. Miss winner, Christa Owens, traveled to Frankfort, IN to represent Lowell in the 2001 Indiana State Junior Miss Program. Christa left on a Sunday morning, first going to the Frankfort Middle School where she meet all of the other 28 contestants. There they were told of what they were going to be doing the upcoming week, like how they can not touch a car door the whole week. After learning the songs they would be singing at different times that week it was off to the host families houses where everyone would for the first time meet her host mom and dad. With the host mom and dad, is where the girls stay all week long. They can not talk to or see their actual family or friends until the following Saturday night. Sunday night all the girls are guests at the Mayors Reception held at the local country club. At the mayors reception the girls sing a little blessing before the food. Christa was chosen to start the blessing and the thank you by singing the beginning note for all the girls to go off of. After all the eating is over the Purdue Glee club sings for everyone. Some girls are even lucky enough to dance with or get serinaded by some of the nice young men. The rest of the week is practicing and eating with some occasional outings....Like to the Frito Lay factory where the girls get to taste freshly backed hot fritos off the line. There are three nights of preliminary programs.....Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday. The final night is Saturday where the judges pick the top ten girls to do everything over. At the end of the program the winner is announced Indiana's Jr Miss. After the program is over all the girls come out from back stage and get to see family in friends for the first time in a week, the only way they knew they had family and friends in the audience was all the notes and cards that the girls get through out the week. Sunday morning breakfast is a morning of happiness and sadness, when the girls say good-bye to their new friends and return home from there week of being spoiled.

A total of $7650 was given in Scholarships. Recieving those Awards/Scholarships were... **Top Raffle Ticket sales**: *Katie Arnold and Sara Bruce*. **Judges Interview**: *Katie Moldenhauer*. **Presence and Composure**: *Emily Rosinko*. **Creative Arts**: *Andrea Marvel*. **Performing Arts**: *Christa Owens*. **Fitness**: *Chrissy Grabinski*. **Scholastic Achievement**: *Christa Owens*. **Spirit of Junior Miss**: *Beth Shelhart*. **4th Runner-up**: *Katie Moldenhauer*. **3rd Runner-up**: *Chrissy Grabinski*. **2nd Runner-up**: *Katie Arnold*. **1st Runner-up**: *Emily Rosinko*. **Lowell's 2001 Junior Miss**: *Christa Owens*.

Question: What is the one thing you will remember most from your junior miss experience?















Senior Quote:

The new and old friends and the slumber party are the things I will remember most. Christina Lutgen

Senior Quote:

I remember staying up all night at the slumber party, with only 4 other people, and blasting the music in the morning and waking everyone up. Eva Slinn

Senior Quote:

The thing I will remember most is the new friendships I made, and watching Jessica Conner and Beth Shelhart do their little dance in the parade. Beth Weeks

Senior Quote:

Jr. Miss was the best thing I did my senior yr. To all of the other 22 other contestants, you guys were the best of friends and I will never forget you. Hey, and ya'll know that I am okay from falling off the stage. I hope my "SPIRIT" lives with each of you forever. I LOVE YOU GUYS. Beth Shelhart

Senior Quote:

Jr. Miss is one of the best things I have been involved in. This program was tremendously fun both locally and at state level. Everyone involved with the program from the other girls to chairpersons and even light crews are friendly and supportive. I can't imagine not having this program my senior yr. I love every person involved with this excellent experience. "Be your best self!" Everything was fun. Christa Owens

1. Christina Lutgen tries her hardest to get into a New Kids on the Block concert for her talent.
2. Chrissy Grabinski does her individual part in the exhausting fitness routine, while the other girls cheer her on.
3. Trash cans are not only for garbage as we see here Andrea Marvel plays the cans as drums in the talent portion of the show.
4. In the persence and composure portion of the program, Christa Owens smiles after she answers the question.
5. Beth weeks is a "Super Star" playing Mary Katherine Gallagher for her talent.
6. "Show me the Money" Jessica Conner's skit for her talent sure had people craving "Chicken Nuggets."
7. The annual slumber party is not just work, there is some fun times as shown very well here by Emily Rosinko and Nikki Chermak

Spirit Week


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a. It's not a pep rally without the LHS cheerleaders! b. Sophomores showing off their school spirit. c. Most of the Homecoming court: Keith Powers, Erin Viers, Ryan Kasparian, Christa Owens, Dave Kuiper, Brian Sciackitano, Jesica Pillar, Justin Bales, Katie McQuiston, Justin Henley, and Rachel Voss. d. Welcoming of the senior football players. e. Christina Lutgen checking out the tribute to the football players.

SpiritWeek was started off with a twist this year. Rather than the same old dress-up days year after year, the Student Council decided to get creative with new themes. With exception to the traditional Pajama Day and School Colors Day, students showed their creativity in the new themes such as Favorite Salad Dressing Day, Fake an Injury Day, and Favorite Character/Celebrity/ Superhero Day.

Furthermore, to rev up the competition throughout the week to get our boys ready for the big Homecoming game vs. the Hammond High Wildcats, yet another new idea was brought about. This involved student participation. A competition between grade levels was started just to see who *really* has the most spirit. Points were awarded to each grade level in a variety of ways. During each first hour, each dressed-up student contributed a point for his or her class, as well as the purchase of Spirit Links, which were strips of construction paper stapled together in rings to make a long chain. Each class was designated a different color for the Spirit Links. Spirit games were also available during lunch mods, and the winning team provided even more points for that particular grade level. The totaling of the points came down to the big day, the day of the pep rally, to see which class had the most spirit and who would win the Spirit Stick.

The pep rally consisted of the usual: cheerleaders, a Mr. Brown speech, recognition of fall athlete seniors, a parade of floats, students dressed in their decorated shirts, and the football players. To keep up the twist, there was an additional motivational speaker, by all means...ERICK DECKER and his wonderful singing, who pumped everyone up for that night's big win. The winner of the final spirit game basically provided that grade level with the awarding of the Spirit Stick. Of course, the senior participants stuck their faces in a pie of whipped cream and picked out the most jelly beans with their teeth the fastest. A conclusion to the pep rally was the SENIOR class being awarded the Spirit Stick for having the most spirit...*seniors ALWAYS win!

-Eva Slinn

LHS "Favorites": <u>Spirit Days</u>

5) Favorite Salad Dressing Day
4) Fake an Injury Day
3) School Colors Day
2) Favorite Character/Celebrity/Superhero Day
1) *Pajama Day*

If you could pick any day for a new Spirit Day, what would it be?



















Senior Quote:

I think we should have an 80's day! Can you picture it, big hair and tight jeans!

-- Michelle Bates

Junior Quote:

Hat Day is always fun!

--Jessica Gable

Sophomore Quote:

I think we should have a high school sports day where everyone dresses in some kind of sports uniform.

-- Emily Huber

Freshmen Quote:

I think we should have a favorite musician day.

-- Zach Beckridge

a. Members of the yearbook staff: Jenny Kleefisch, Sami Rader, Katy Hall, and Kristen Daugherty, put finishing touches on their float for the Parade. b. Senior Mark Runyon gets ready to take the plunge. c. Zach Duncan, Adam Erpelding, and Dan Blaskavich display their school spirit d. Jake Ham and Jason Angus wheel their way around on Fake an Injury Day. e. Chad Wietbrock poses for a pic after what looks like a ROUGH night! f. Shelley Vandercar and Andrea Marvel reenact the good times from Saturday Night Live. g. Erick Decker shows off his style while adding a lil' spunk to the pep rally. h. Take a look at these glamorous senior gals posing for a pic: Tonya Thompson, Tiffany Novotny, Lindsey Singleton, Becca Campa, Jessica Garza, Erica O'Connor, Erica Ritsema, Monica Paunovici, Julie Naddy, Eva Slinn, Erin Viers, Christa Owens, and Sami Rader. i. Sam Voss and Keith Powers go back to the time of Bedrock.

Homecoming











a. Sean Clark and his date Christi Bult take a second to pose for the camera. b. Bethany Drawbaugh busts a move while she is on the dance floor. c. Mark Runyon and Cassie Patz snuggle together while dancing. d. Andrea Marvel not only expresses her self through dancing; but also by singing. e. Erica Ritsema, Chrissy Grabinski, Danielle Daniluk, and Nikki Chermak group together to flash some smiles.

On September 16, 2000, one might have found a majority of Lowell High School students at the school's annual Homecoming Dance. The students at Lowell High School were winding down their homecoming week with the dance being the last event. The previous night Lowell's mighty Red Devils had defeated Hammond High 39-7 in the traditional homecoming game. During half-time, the homecoming court nominees paraded across the field. Last year's homecoming queen and king, Kendril Climer and Nathan Kersey, had the honors of crowning the new king and queen, Chris Kimbrell and Katie Arnold. Zach Day accepted the crown on behalf of Chris who had been a member of the football team all four years of high school. The Red Devils had played a hard fought game; therefore, it made it easy for everyone to celebrate the next evening knowing that Lowell's Red Devils had gained another victory once again. Most of the students who attended the dance thought it was one of the best dances they had been to while in high school.

Homecoming Dance Survey (100 people asked):

83% of students asked said that the music played was actually good.
76% said they enjoyed going with the person that they went with.
16% said they wish they would have gone with someone else.
8% said they wish they would not have gone and wasted their money.
36% of students asked attended the homecoming game and the dance as well.
18 % of students believe that homecoming is overrated.

This dance is sponsorod by the Sophomore class Student Council. When determining the theme, the council turned to its own members to draft ideas, and vote. In the end, the council chose a theme from the movie *Casper*, "Remember Me This Way." During the day of the dance, members of the council began decorating for the big night. After several hours, they decided that they were done. Their end product included hundreds of balloons, an enormous painted banner, window decorations, and four large pillars full of lights on the makeshift dance floor in the multi-purpose room.

During the dance, lights were dim and everyone shook their groove-thang on the dance floor. Through "YEAH DJ Services," the students enjoyed listening to their favorite beats and dancing the night away.

-Christina Lutgen















Senior Quote:

After the dance we danced on top of Mark Moosemiller's van and ate ice cream.
-Sami Rader and Jenny Kleefisch

Junior Quote:

Rachel and I had a killer time at the dance and we were the hottest couple there.
-Joe Vandercar

Sophomore Quote:

I had a great time at the dance. I am going to miss my brother and his friends making the dances fun.
-Nick Runyon

Freshman Quote:

Homecoming was loads of fun being with my date and my friends.
-Kate Sciackitano

Top (Left to Right): Rachel Steiner and LHS grad Jessie Brown; Zach Day and Katie Arnold; Drew Laumeyer and his date.
Middle: LHS 2001 Homecoming Court: Sophomores Justin Bales and Katie McQuiston, Seniors Dave Kuiper and Christa Owens, Zach Day (he filled in for Chris Kimbrell) and Katie Arnold, Ryan Kasparian and Erin Viers, Steve Harker (he filled in for Keith Powers) and Christina Lutgen, Juniors Brian Sciackitano and Jessica Pillar, and Freshman Justin Henley and Rachel Voss.
Bottom(Left to Right): Megan Reid and grad of LHS Mark Wachowski; Shannon Summers and Alyson Gross; Becky Ensweiler, Misty Moore, Ronnie Hatch, and Ashley Alexander.

Summer Fun!


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Late nights and sleeping in...a time of relaxation away from school. Ten weeks to hang-out with your friends, travel, or work. The summer vacation represents an escape from responsibilites, or possibly a challenge of new responsibilities. These are the memories that will live on forever.

Many of us stayed in the good town of Lowell and worked. What was it we were working for? A new car? College? Or just money in the pocket? We were very busy, but it seems that we always made time for fun during our well-deserved summer vacation.

From Merrillville to across the seas, we all escaped into the wonderful world of traveling. What exactly led us to hit the road, the air, or the waves? Was it family, friends, academics, or sport organizations? Whatever the case may be, we all became a little more spontaneous as we added to our book of memories. Some of these memorable excursions included the South Lake Mall, Navy Pier in Chicago, hiking in Colorado, mission groups, camp, foreign countries, and all the way back around to the swimming pool in your backyard.

-Beth Weeks

LHS "Favorites": Summer Getaways

10) Lake County Fair
9) South Lake Mall
8) Vacations
7) Six Flags Great America
6) Navy Pier (Chicago)
5) Movie theater
4) Friends' houses
3) Downtown Chicago
2) Miniature Golfing
1) The Dunes (the beach)

a) Angela Ponziano and Monica Paunovici said, "We spent our summer hanging out with friends and going to the beach!" b) A possible summer destination, the Carnival *Inspiration* set out to sea at the first port, St. Thomas. c) Brandie Olivotto and Aimee Gearhart experience the intensity of "The Beast" at King's Island. d) Here is Rusty Ramstrom, Hania Nammari, and Reema Ghalayini (Hania's cousin from Jordan) playing a little game of minature golf. e) Jessica Conner shows us summer is not all play as she cleans the breading table with a smile. Jessica worked at Kentucky Fried Chicken over the summer.

"In the summer I do everything in my power to forget my normal life. In two months I white water rafted, hiked some extreme trails, parasailed, deep sea fished, lived on an island, got lost in the Wisconsin wilderness, almost got eaten by racoons, and survived a tornado on top of a mountain! It was the greatest time of my life," said Kristen Daugherty.

What do you do during the summer to take your life to the "extreme"?



Senior Quote:

"I like to take my summer to the extreme by learning as much as I can."

-Vince Wagner

Junior Quote:

"My friend, Kristen Scott, and I lived in Seattle for the summer with my brother. We attended a 3 day concert." -Nick Sciackitano

Sophomore Quote:

"I went bungee jumping off a 4 story ledge in Wisconsin."

-Brandon Beckrich

Sophomore Quote:

"I went across seas to Greece and partied from morning until night."

-Michael Malamatos

A well spent summer vacation is a trip to Europe. Exploring four different countries on a People to People Student Ambassador trip, two students from Lowell High School, Ann Mlynarczyk and Beth Weeks, spent three weeks visiting France, Switzerland, Austria, and Italy. Here is a sight that Italy is famous for, the Leaning Tower of Pisa.

Spring Break









a. Kim Sypulski and LHS graduate Adam Steiner pose with a former movie prop at Universal Studios in Orlando, Florida.

b. Matt Rosinko, Katie Arnold, Cody VanDeursen, Emily Rosinko, and Derek Hoots stop for a final picture on the last night of their cruise, which took them to Jamaca, Grand Caymen, Cozumel, and Key West.

c. Ashley Foster and Joe Monaldi proudly display their catch, also at Universal Studios.

d. Meredith Cusic, Christina Lutgen, Andrea Marvel, Caroline Vaandrager, Alana Garton, Nick Sciackitano, Scott Salai, and Heather Rosenwinkel exploring Verona, Italy.

To many, spring break is a time for relaxation and a time to recollect oneself in preparation for what the school year has left. But for others, it is a time to party on vacation, lay on the beach, or spend time with friends. This year, we had a large conglomeration of places people went on their time off. Many went on the Humanities Italy trip and toured the Italian countryside on a luxurious coach, while others stuck around and had some fun at the beach or at the mall. Some even went on a road trip to Florida (which seemed to be a hot spot this spring). But overall, everyone agreed that spring break was much better than spending an extra week at school.

Ashley Foster & Nick Sciackitano

Top Ten

Necessities for Vacation Survival...

10. a fabulous friend
9. a book or magazine
8. diskman, cds, and batteries
7. flip flops, to prevent burning your toes on the sand
6. tanning oil or sunblock, whatever you prefer
5. photo of current boy/girlfriend to stare at before going to sleep
4. rolls of film and a camera
3. a toothbrush
2. a hot bathing suit or swim trunks
1. multiple clean pairs of underwear



Above: Taylor Jones and Peter Martin get some help learning how to hula.

What is your favorite thing to do on Spring Break?



















Senior Quote:
Peter Martin, "Taking long walks on the Hawaiian beaches with Taylor Jones."

Junior Quote:
Nick Sciackitano, "Going on a gondola in the Grand Canal with Christina Lutgen while sipping coffee and eating gelato."

Sophomore Quote:
Lynette Kregel, "Cruising Wal-Mart with Kelsey Brown and building bridges with Sarah Perfetti."

Freshman Quote:
Ryan Lunsford, "I like to lift weights, work out, and play sports on Spring Break."

e. Katie Arnold and Matt Rosinko stop for a snack while on their cruise. f. Peter Martin and Taylor Jones in Hawaii, *not* Shafer Lake. g. Jenny Kleefisch, Meredith Cusic, Beth Curtis, Alana Garton, Courtney Wilson, Steph Butler, and Heather Rosenwinkel on MTV Italy. h. Emily Rosinko gets a lift from her brother, the one and only Second Route, on their way home from vacation. i. Jenny Kleefisch takes a gondola ride in Venice. j. Ashley Foster and Emily Rosinko at the Magic Kingdom. k. Joe Monaldi doing some car shopping while in Florida. l. Mrs. Peters and Mrs. Hurt with Roberto, the Humanities trip tour guide. m. Rich Rygiewicz, Zach Day, Julie Naddy, Mark Runyon, Nicole Chermak, Chad Griner, Erica O'Connor, and Erica Ritsema take a break to relax in Florida.

Prom

"A Night Under the Stars"











Prom is an exciting event that many look forward to. Not only is it a chance to dress formally, but a sign that the school year is coming to an end. For many guys prom is just another dance. They ask that special girl, then when prom day comes they calmly slip on their tux and slick back their hair. Although for many girls it is much more than that. Throughout Lowell salons are packed full. While girls run aroung frantically attending nail, tanning, and hair appointments in their efforts to looking their best.

Prom this year was very different from previous years. Prom this year was located on the, "Spirit of Chicago," cruise ship. Matters of planning were very diffirent: how would we get to Chicago, how late could we stay out, can we get a Hotel, how much are tickets? These questions were wandering through our heads, but when it came down to prom night, all went well.

We all arrived to Navy Pier in Chicago and boarded the boat. We set out around 8 p.m. and mingled as the night sky grew dark. At around 9 p.m. they served chicken and potatoes for our dinner. We all danced in the small space left by the stairs. Pictures were taken as others talked outside and enjoyed the view of the skyline.

Crowning took place about 10:15 p.m. as the King and Queen of 2001 were voted on by their fellow classmates. Erin Viers and Ryan Kasparian were named King and Queen. The deserving couple then slow danced before everyone.

After the crowning everyone boogied down on the dance floor trying not to step on another person. The night came to an end at about 11 p.m. as everyone went their seperate ways. The evening was filled full of fun, laughter, and memories to hold on to forever.

-Beth Weeks

a) Angela Ponziano and Ricky Beaudreau say, "It's time to party!"
b) Kwyn Richmond takes a moment out to pose with the Captain.
c) A group of friends get together to take a picture before their limo ride.
d) Jessica Wellman with boyfriend, Adam, give a dazzling smile to the camera.
e) Michelle Bates and Jennifer Stokes wait anxiously to board the ship.

What was one highlight from prom?













"I would have had a lot more fun if my mom didn't make me be home by midnight."

-Nick Sciackitano

"I had a great time at prom. I had a fun date and I went with a fun group. It's something I'll never forget."

-Jen Kleefisch

"I accidentally peed on my dress, but I had a nice time with Randy Hacker. I enjoyed the food, too."

-Dawn Grutzius

"Despite the fact that the boat was *very* crowded, I enjoyed myself immensely."

-Lindsey French

a) The King (Ryan Kasparian) and the Queen (Erin Viers). b) Anders Larson and Shelley Vandercar show us what style is all about c) Erin Viers and Beth Weeks do a smile check d) Nicole Meyers, Kelly Quanstrom, Rebecca Campa, and Amanda Swank e) Jen Kleefisch, Kristen Daugherty, Sami Rader, and Jessica Conner f) Chris George and Heather Cholodinski g) Senior girls show a little leg

Dances: Valentine's and Sadie's


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On the night of February 17, 2001, about one hundred and fifty students from Lowell High School dressed in formals to attend this year's Valentine's Dance. This year's student council sponsored the dance in which they chose the theme "Valentine", a song written by a country singer Martina McBride. With the DJ blasting the music and the students dancing the night away, the evening seemed to be an enchanting eveing of fun thanks to Student Council.

Every year Lowell High School holds an annual Sadie Hawkins Dance. LHS students have always carried on traditon in which the girl asks the guy and they wear matching outfits. This year's theme was "Pajama Party". On March 17, 2001, students celebrated an evening wtih their fellow students while dressed in their pajamas. A wide variety of pajamas were worn. The varietry extended from target pants to pink fuzzy slipppers to stuffed animals. On the dance floor, students gathered in a circle and watched others perform their latest dance moves during the dance contest. Mike Vitoux and Jamie Eytcheson won the contest by busting a move and showing of their latest dance skills.

-Christina Lutgen

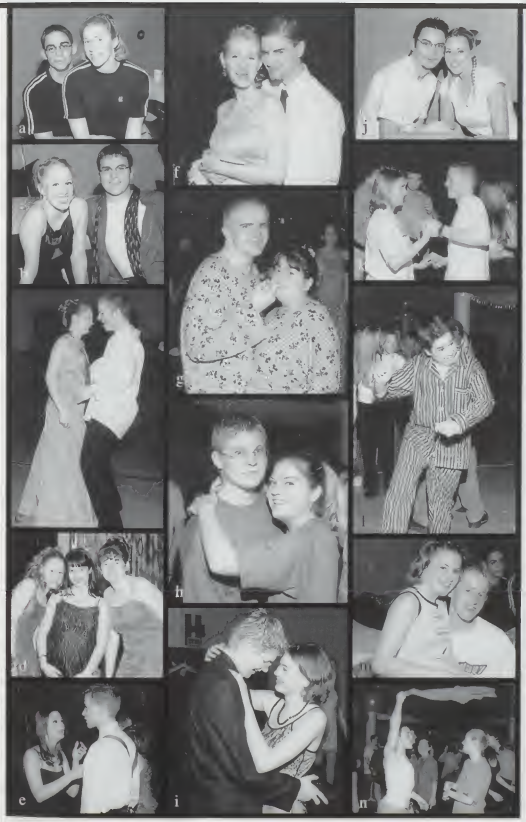
Personal Reflections:

"Brian and I left the dance early because the music stunk. We thought the music was better at Homecoming. -Liz Blankenbeckler

"I would have had a better time if I would have went with Jenny." -Dustin Hudak

a. Jason Gasper and Jenny Kern b. Kristen Alberts and Allen Houchins c. Amanda Swank and Craig Kierzek d. Joe Vandercar and Rachel Nida, Ashley Caudle and Tyler Reed, Robert Bryant and Megan Norton e. Sean Anderson and Ashlee Davis f. Justin Denton and Sami Rader g. Matt Puskar and Amber Huffman h. Heather Propes and Kyle Jung i. Lauren Levin and Dan Hogge j. Jason Montoya and Tiffany Meyers k. Adam Sampson and Cassie Boesch l. Roxann Poor, Dana Zarych, Mike Maltby, and Amanda Robbins

What was your favorite time at the dance?



Senior Quote:

Going to Dairy Queen.

-Erica Ritsema

Junior Quote:

Getting married to Cori Hilderbrandt.

-Tim Misiora

Sophomore Quote:

I won the dance competion! Ladies if you need my number I would be happy to give it to you.

-Mike Vitoux

Freshman Quote:

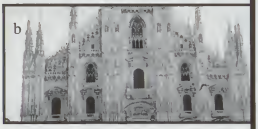
My favorite part was dancing a slow dance wtih Christina Lutgen!

-Daniel Lang

a. James Dickinson and Abby Ellis b. Erik Dahl and his girlfriend c. Amanda Gasparovic and Sean Griffin d. Nicole Lee, Laretta Toomey, and Holly Kutemeier e. Erin Kleefisch and Bill Mitchell f. Meaghan Jung and Mike Maxwell g. Ben Wilson and Michelle Smith h. Chris Ferry and Christy Brill i. Jason Angus and Brooke Morgan j. Beth Weeks and her boyfriend, Ryan Henderlong k. Katy McQuiston and Matt Roberts l. Luke Reed m. Natalie Hanas and Ryan Brown n. Mark Moosmiller and Courtney Schuttrow

Field Trips


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a. Bryan Cregger and Vicki Wolters are waiting to get on their trail at the Dunes. b. St. Peters cathedral in Milan is a main attraction for the tourists. c. Just enjoying a day at the beach. d. The students anxiously listen as the park ranger gives her speech. e. Erin Viers enjoying her sack lunch at the Indiana Dunes.

Students in high school long to have the days of elementary school back, Why?- maybe it's recess or the field trips. My guess would be the field trips. Once we get into high school, the recesses end and the field trips seem to disappear--or do they? In the 2000-2001 school year there were more field trips than usual for the students. The students got to go such places as the Dunes, Medieval Times, art museums, Italy, and even Lemon Lake. Teachers take students on field trips for many reasons; maybe it's hands on experience, cultural awareness, or just a day in the sun, but whatever it is--the kids love it. When the high school is round and there are very few windows in sight, it is no wonder why students enjoy the day outdoors.

When students were asked to give us their funniest yearbook moments we had many various responses:

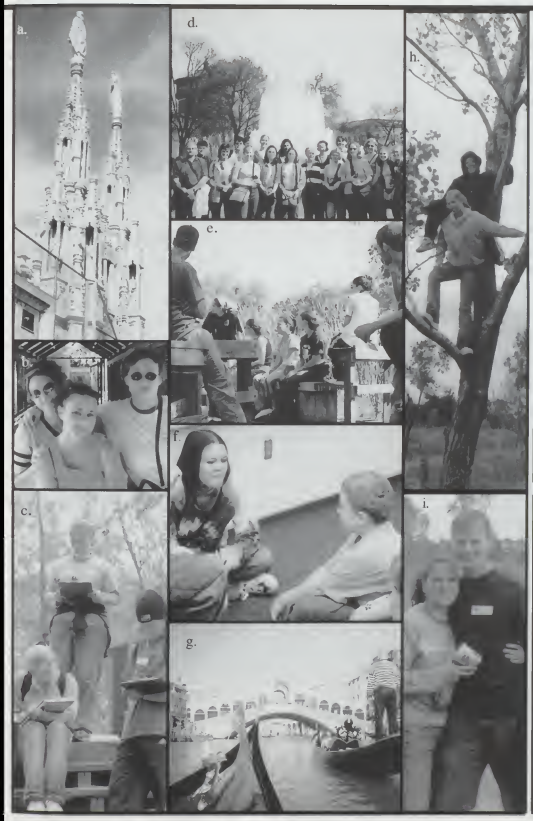
"My funniest field trip moment was when I won a free french fry at Mc Donalds on the art field trip. Oh- and of course looking at the art work." - Erica O'Connor

"On the bus when we dressed up Paul Zelinka as a girl on the choir field trip to Nashville." - Debra Ballas

"When Rusty Zea decided to test out the ice on Lake Michigan at the Indiana Dunes and it cracked, but luckily he didn't fall through."
- Katy Hall

"I chaperoned the 'Premiere Distinction' choir trip to Nashville, Tennessee. With the exception of the long bus ride, it was a fabulous trip. The kids were great--they did an exceptional job. Personal highlights for me included the kids recording a song in a studio where Elvis Presley once stood, the General Jackson showboat, the campus of Vanderbilt University and talking baseball with Joe Gianotti, buying a cowboy hat and line dancing, and the impressive church service. However, the funniest moment was when that silly monkey grabbed my mullet at the Dixie Chicks concert." -Mr. Charpentier
(-Tonya Thompson)

What is the best part about taking a field trip?



Senior Quote:

" Getting to go eat at a restaurant and then going to the park."
-Jackie Nichols

Junior Quote:

" Getting out of school for the day and having fun with out friends!"
-Niki Hanas and Abby Ellis

Sophomore Quote:

"Just geting out of this school for the day."
-Ryan Brown

Freshman Quote:

"Getting to go somewhere you might not have ever went on your own."
- Anna Tomko

a. Mrs. Peters and the group taking a little break to look at the beautiful scenery. b.Nikki Lambie, Jessica Kobe, and Jessica Pierce taking time to pose for this shot. c.Rosa Salazar, Beth Weeks, and Erin Vier taking notes. d. The Italy group poses for a fountain shot. e.Miss Cusic's technical writing class at the Dunes. f.Jessica Wellman answers the children's questions about her children's book she made in Creative Writing. g. Just a little gondola ride in Venice. h. Beth Weeks and Erin Viers climbing a tree to get a better view. i. Rosa Salaza and Micheal Rosenwinkel giving big smiles for the camera.

Battle Of the Bands



1)The pre-Battle set-up. 2)The Bradley Report. 3)The Bradley Report 4)R.H.M.V.B. 5)Gandi Loakin. 6)Gandi Loakin. 7)Gandi Loakin. 8)Karl Poppe. 9)Mister Linzy. 10)S.T.K.K. 11)Systematic Hate. 12)Systematic Hate. 13)Erik Dahl's Band. 14)Erik Dahl's Band. 15)Erik Dahl's Band. 16)JHB. 17)JHB. 18)JHB. 19)Tony and Jason. 20)M.Meadows, sponser of prizes and such.

January 19, 2001 was a first for Lowell High School. In the beloved multi, we held an outstanding mix of sounds and talent for the Battle of the Bands.

Judging the Battle were LHS's very own Mr. Peterson, Lowell Guitar and Sound's Mike Meadows, and Josh Holmes Band's bassist and drummer Jason Jeka and Sean McNorton. With the toughest job of the night, these four men had their work cut out for them.

The night began with a lively performance by The Bradley Report. Band members include Josh Vargo, Jason Fredricks, Donna Fredricks, and Steve Lanigan. Their combination of original music and punk vocals won them 3rd place.

Proceeding a 10 minute break for instumental setup and tuning, R.H.M.V.B graced the stage for an intimate acoustic guitar set. R.H.M.V.B is a two-man-band consisting of Rick Hemphill and Mike Vitoux. Rumor has it, these two met back in 1986 at a Harley convention and began playing together in 1998.

Gandi Loakin then stormed the stage with a sound all their own. Band members include Ronnie Hatch, Jim Rowe, Kyle Bird, Joe Hoch, and Luke Smolik. These boys put on quite an amazing show, bringing back the Clerks cult classic "Chewbacca Song."

After another break Karl Poppe brought his acoustic guitar and western-flavored vocals to the Battle. Within his set Karl performed George Thorogood's "Wild Thing." Karl is a member of the Unplugged Club. This kid really knew how to work the crowd with his sing-a-longs.

Next was an enthralling performance by the similarly-clad boys of Mister Linzy. Members Bob Basso, Zach Rubness, Joe Hoch, and Nick Parente got together in the summer of 1997 and have been playing collectively ever since. This four-man-band earned themselves second place with their punk rendition.

S.T.K.K. began the darker side of the Battle. With members including Jerry Caruso, Chris Peart, and Brandon Stokes, the mood was set for an exciting show.

A long time ago in the land of Mushroom Wambat Thy, four soldiers of the Desepticons arose through the ashes of turmoil and made a band. They ate bolonga and played Rock and Roll. This could only describe Systematic Hate. Consisting of Tom Palansky, Ryan Kasparian, Daryn Frank, and Brian Kutanouski, these fellas shattered the multi with the wailing yet raspy vocals of Palansky. Systematic Hate won the Battle of the Bands, and all the goodies that went with their new title of "Best Band at LHS."

Concluding the battle was Erik Dahl's Band. Band members include Erik Dahl, Chadd Smith, David J. Dewes, and Bryan Reitter. Theses four boys provided a flashy stage show sure to stick in your head.

Adding to the suspense before the winners were announced, the Josh Holmes Band played an excellent set of selections from their three CDs, with a special performance of Metallica's "Enter Sandman" with the chilling vocals of Tony the Sound Guy and Jason who was also the spicy host of the Battle. After JHB's performance, the winners were announced and celebrated and the non-winners shook it off and spent the remainder of their night having a good time.

--Michelle Bates

Question: What did YOU think of the Battle?



Senior Quote:
" It was a lot better than I expected it to be. LHS has a lot of hidden talent."
--Rachel Engels

Senior Quote:
"All the bands were great... but Mister Linzy was, by far, the best!"
--Shelley Vandercar

Senior Quote:
" I was a great experience to see my peers performing like rock stars..."
--Beth Weeks

Senior Quote:
"Tom Palansky is the man."
--Tonya Thompson

Beyond LHS

Jobs, Recreation, and Something Else











Beyond Lowell High School means many different things to a variety of students. When we think of high school, we might envision textbooks, classrooms, lectures, worksheets, and lunch. When we start contemplating "beyond" these traditional high school activities we might think of eating popcorn at a basketball game, cheering a touchdown, cruising, dating, and/or dancing. This book will hopefully capture glimpses of these standard high school events here at Lowell High School.

However, these two pages are dedicated to going beyond the basic attachments to the high school--beyond tests, studying, attending sporting events, calculating equations, and prom. These pages are for those who like to do their own thing, and for those who might have to make hamburgers rather than watching the Friday night football game. For those students who may have fallen asleep in class because they worked at a gas station until closing and then had to study for a next-day test...for those students who may choose jazz over football or reading a magazine at a book store over going to Homecoming...for those students who would rather be alone and watch a good movie rather than going to a party...for those students who work hard, enjoy life, and dare to stay true to themselves--these pages are dedicated to you.

a) The life of a high school student is much more than sitting in class, waiting in lunch lines, socializing in the halls, athletics, prom, and celebrating the Friday afternoon 3 o'clock bell. As the kids who graced the cover of the 2001 Lowellian can attest, life does not necessarily have to have structure or tradition...life's precious moments are made hopping and skipping on a playground--and the most precious memories just may occur outside of high school. b, c, d) High school life does not have to include running down a football field or watching people run down a football field. Many students often time have jobs to attend to. Afterall, Mom and Dad may not pay the way for his or her particular student. Picture b shows Jimmy Lentz behind the counter at Kentucky Fried Chicken. Picture c reveals McDonald employee Misty Moore moving toward the back to prepare another tasty whopper. In picture d we get a glimpse of Chris Orange--also an employee at KFC--trying to hide behind the soda machine. Besides being a senior this year, Chris is the only living person who knows the Colonel's secret recipe. e) Monica Paunovici worked at Gander Mountain in Merrillville. She did such things as customer relations and sort fishing poles.

What does "outside" of high school mean to you?



"Working at Walgreen's and doing homework."

-Nick Sciackitano

"Outside of Lowell High School means to me planning, grading, planning, and on Sunday evenings I usually grade a little more. It also means the Sidetrack and/or D.C.'s Country Junction." -Mr. Charpentier

"I usually have a lot of fun when I'm not in school."

-Zack Heine

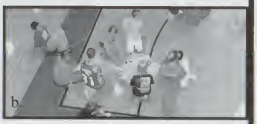
"I'm busy making atomic cakes in the bakery at Wilco when not at high school--or sometimes my friends Adrienne Gross and Sami Rader and I put tents in people's yards."

-Kristen Daugherty

This photograph captures the essence of "beyond" Lowell High School. Many students adhere to the norm of joining a club or sport, going to the mall, and/or wearing Tommy Hilfiger or Ambercrombie. Here is a student who is truly an individual--Kim Oryhan--obviously outside of the high school. Kim took a road trip to southern Indiana and took some time to ride a horse.

Freshman "Fun"damentals


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a. Alison King, Jennifer Stokes, Michelle Bates, Erica Ritsema, Holley Denton, and Katie Giglio at panel discussion. b. Linda Kiszka watches the workshops. c. Brad Fuchs answers questions from Emily Rosinko and Tonya Thompson. d. Cameron Blunt eating a donut. e. Jason Harper watches the field games.

In 1995- Mrs. Iussig, Mrs. Peters, and Mrs. Hurt, thought of a brilliant idea to help freshmen get acquainted with Lowell High School. The program was called Freshman "Fun"damentals. It is a full day consisting of ice breakers, panel discussion, a scavenger hunt, workshops, and field games, each used to improve the freshmen's knowledge of certain aspects of high school. At the end of the 1999-2000 school year, senior leaders were chosen for the 2000-2001 freshman "fun"damentals day. The senior leaders were special students who were natural leaders, involved in school activities, and were overall outgoing. These seniors met at 7:45 every Friday morning for seven weeks, to prepare for the day. During these seven weeks the seniors paired off and thought of team mascots/symbols to unify their teams. Every senior leader decorated a shirt, made name tags for the freshmen, and put their mascot/symbol on a stick so the team could be recognized. Every senior leader put forth a lot of work in anticipation of making this the best Freshman "Fun"damentals day ever.

On September 7, 2000 the freshmen entered the multi-purpose room to be bombarded with large signs representing the different groups while in the background the seniors were screaming. After the freshmen met up with their senior leaders they were given decorated name tags and the group introduced themselves. The individual groups did ice breakers to help everyone get to know each other. Then the class of 2004, along with the senior leaders did a group icebreaker. It was then time for guest speaker, Mr. Don Bales, to talk about what success means.

The freshmen then split into two groups, one having a panel dicussion, and the other a scavenger hunt. Panel discussion involved 12 seniors at each of the four groups to answer questions the freshmen may have had about the high school. In the Little Theatre, booths were set up by clubs and sports teams to allow the frosh to see what the school had to offer. The freshmen had to get vouchers from their assigned booths. The vouchers allowed the freshmen to get their lunch tickets.

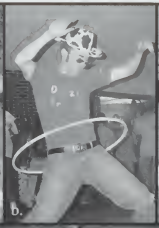
Then, the seniors broke into three groups (red, blue, and yellow). These groups were responsible for making a workshop based on skills that would help the freshmen's transition. The red group was responsible for a workshop that would introduce study skills and some of the high school's rules. The blue group made a workshop that stressed the importance of teamwork. The yellow group's job was to introduce the faculty and their locations in the school. Every freshmen went to each of the workshops. When the workshops were completed it was time for lunch. Lunch was organized by Miss Cusic and provided by the freshman parents, so it was free. Lunch gave the seniors time to regroup and relax. It also gave the freshmen time to socialize with their friends.

After lunch it was time to play some field games. The games were organized by Miss Casey and Miss McCormack. They included a donut race, water balloon relay, wrapping a mummy with toilet paper, and another water relay. The games wrapped up the day for the freshmen.

In the last part of the day awards were presented. Every freshman's name was entered in a raffle to win prizes from businesses in the community. The senior leaders took group pictures with their freshmen and then the frosh returned to class. The seniors cleaned up and filled out evaluation forms summarizing the day. Overall, the day was a success. - T. Thompson*

Advice to next year's Senior Leaders . . .

















Senior Quote:

Make everything as fun as possible, that way everyone has a better time.
- Jessica Wellman

Senior Quote:

Keep a bubbly and hyper attitude. If you're having fun they will too.
- Kelly Quanstrom

Senior Quote:

Have lots of fun and keep a positive attitude, then everyone in the group will be more excited and willing to participate. -Amanda Swank

Junior Quote:

Keep in mind that freshmen are still oblivious to what real life is like at school.
- Nick Sciackitano

a.Freshmen enjoy their lunch b. Erick Decker getting a little crazy during the scavenger hunt. c. Jeremy Follis chilling out with his sombrero. d. Senior leaders at the end of the day. e. Nick Sciackitano, Christa Owens, and Jesse Hubert making final preparations. f. Sara Bruce and Nicole Rowley at their booth. g. Tina Arnold doing a little necking during the field games. h. Making mummies at the field games.

Senior Royalties

Most Likely to Win a VH1 Fashion Award



Zach Day, Ashley Foster



Peter Martin, Erica O'Connor



Kristen Daugherty, Nick Cornwell, Katie Arnold

Next Orthodontist Poster Child



Sam Voss, Chrissy Grabinski, Micah Schantz (not pictured)



Jackie Nichols, Zach Day, Nicole Rowley, Emily Rosinko

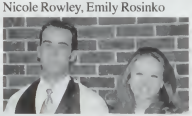


Ryan Seydel, Melissa Bayer

Most Likely to be in a Herbal Essences Commercial



Ryan Seydel, Dawn Grutzius



Nick Cornwell, Christina Lutgen



Tom Palansky, Beth Weeks

Best Eyes



Erick Decker, Courtney Schuttrow



Tim Bult, Jessica Connor



Chris Kimbrell, Michelle Bates

Best Laugh



Erik Dahl, Sami Rader



Erick Decker, Angela Ponziano



Mike French, Christa Owens

Tallest



Rich Rygiewicz, Chip Thompson, Zach Heine



Melissa Bayer, Kelly Quanstrom, Kelly Cosgrove

Shortest



Amanda Swank, Greg Krumwiede



Beth Shelhart, Joe Monaldi



Jacob Ham, Sarah Toce (not pictured)

Most Changed



John Poleski, Tonya Thompson



Jimmy Lentz, Michelle Bates



Dan Blackford, Chrissy Grabinski

Least Changed



Katie Arnold, Ashley Foster, Mike French



Holley Denton, Chris Kimbrell



Andy Rucker, Becca Campa

Best Personality



Erick Decker, Beth Shelhart



Christina Lutgen, Chrissy Grabinski, Micah Schantz (not pictured)



Emily Rosinko, Ryan Seydel

Next Tom Green



Emily Iliff, Julie Naddy



Erick Decker, Ryan Kasparian



Stanford Scott, Meridith Christensen

Biggest Case of Senioritis



Monica Paunovici, Nick Cornwell



Randy Hacker, Jessica Garza



A.J. Schmelter, Tonya Thompson

Teacher's Pet



Andy Rucker, Emily Rosinko



Christa Owens, Zach Baiel, Rachel Engels



Becca Campa, Peter Martin

Biggest Flirt



Lindsey Singleton, Peter Martin



Emily Rosinko, Keith Powers



Nicole Chermak, A.J. Schmelter

Senior Royalties

Most Likely to join a Nudist Colony



Peter Martin, Chrissy Grabinski



Dave Kuiper, Holli Schaffner



Erica O'Connor, Chris Kimbrell, Nicole Chermak

Next Charlie's Angels



Sami Rader, Kristen Daugherty, Jenny Kleefisch



Erica O'Connor, Katie Arnold, Nicole Chermak

Most Likely to be Kicked out of College



Nick Cornwell, Chris Kimbrell, Mike French



April Szablewski, Holley Denton, Nicole Chermak



Jessica Garza

Most Likely not to Show at the 10-Year Reunion



Holli Schaffner, Kara Hanney



Jim Hile, Joe Monaldi



Zach Baiel, Rachel Engels

Best Car



Dana Haynes, Jason Harper



Rich Rygiewicz, Nicole Meyers



Katie Arnold, Jim Hile

Worst Car



Jason Angus (with Zach Baiel)



Beth Shelhart



Sam Voss (with Peter Martin), Christina Kincaid



Andrea Marvel



Peter Martin



Tasha Adams



Kerkyra Alcantar



Andreas Lexelius



Amber Andruch



Jason Angus



Dawn Antonavich



Kevin Armstrong



Katie Arnold



Zachary Baiel



Michelle Bates



Melissa Bayer



Robert Bernotus



Daniel Blackford



Elizabeth Blankenbeckler



Joe Borkowski



Christine Brill



Heath Brown



Sara Bruce



Timothy Bult



Brian Burdan



Carol Burke



Rebecca Campa



Nicole Chermak



Danny Chesner



Jennifer Clinton



Nikki Clinton



Jessica Conner



Bryan Corns



Kelly Cosgrove



Bryan Cregger



Anthony Dandurand



Kristen Daugherty



Zachery Day



Erick Decker



Bridget DeLau



Justin Denton



Holley Denton



Dawn Dexter



David Dewes



James Dickinson



Helene Dubuc



Brianne Dotson



Eric Duttlinger



Sarah Early



Eric Ellis



Rachel Engels



Thomas Ferry



Tony Ferry



Drew Fluehr



Ashley Foster



Josh Frahm



Jessica Garza



Christin Grabinski



Jacob Graegin



Chad Griner



Dawn Grutzius



Katy Hall



Jacob Ham



Kip Hamm



Christopher Hampton



Jason Harper



Steven Harker



Jen Harkin



Dana Haynes



Zachary Heine



Ryan Hicks



Jim Hile



Rebecca Hinds



Joseph Hisaw



Lauren Hopkins



Emily Iliff



Danielle Johnson



Jeff Jung



Mike Jung



Nicole Lambie



Ryan Kasparian



Michael Kemling



Jennifer Kern



Chris Kimbrell



Christina Kincaid



Linda Kiszka



Jennifer Kleefisch



Jessica Kobe



Molly Krol



Jeff Kriske



David Kuiper



Catherine Kwiatkowski



Anders Larsen



Andrew Laumeyer



James Lentz



Melissa Lessig



Christina Lutgen



Michael Maltby



Peter Martin



Tristen Martin



Andrea Marvel



Mike Maxwell



Rachelle McNeiley



David Meyers



Nicole Meyers



Jason Mielczarek



Ashley Miller



Amanda Mitsch



Katie Moldenhauer



Joe Monaldi



Mark Moosmiller



Natasha Murray



Juliana Naddy



Dustin Nichols



Jacqueline Nichols



Steven Northrop



Tiffany Novotny



Erica O'Conner



Chris Orange



Jason Overton



Christa Owens



Pamela Pahnke



Monica Paunovici



Jessica Pierce



John Poleski



Angela Ponziano



Shaun Porento



Keith Powers



Kelly Quanstrom



Samantha Rader



Erica Ritsema



Emily Rosinko



Michael Rosenwinkel



Nicole Rowley



Andrew Rucker



Mark Runyon



Amanda Salatas



Micah Schantz



Holly Scheidt



Anthony Schmelter



Karen Schoon



Stephanie Schulfer



Courtney Schuttrow



Joshua Sewell



Ryan Seydel



Cleta Sheaks



Beth Shelhart



Josh Sickinger



Lindsey Singleton



Brad Smith



Greg Smith



Tara Spicer



Genevieve St. Clair



Joseph Stefek



Rachel Steiner



Rachael Stewart



Kristina Stojak



Jennifer Stokes



Jayme Suggs



Amanda Swank



April Szablewski



Kyle Tetrault



Lauren Thompson



Charles Thompson III



Tonya Thompson



Sarah A. Toce



Candis Valentine



Michele Vandercar



Erin Viers



Samuel Voss



Vincent Wagner



Elizabeth Weeks



Jessica Wellman



Adam Willis



Michelle Lee Wilkerson



Amanda Wilson



Benjamin Wilson



Christopher Woodworth



Robert Wragg



Russell Zea



Rachel Zilai



Tara Zimmerman



Andrew Wingate













And now the journey is nearing its conclusion...



...through the good and the bad, they have each accomplished their journey, taking with them a piece of their high school existence...



...the halls that were once occupied by these unique individuals will now be filled with new faces...



...only they can determine what their fates will be.

Tasha Adams-
Nickname: Big Red. *Song:* "Arms Wide Open" by Creed. *Movie:* "Erin Brokovich". *Future Plans:* to be a massage therapist. *Favorite Expression:* "I'm going home."

Kerkyra Alcantar-
Nickname: KareBare. *Future Plans:* Go to college. *Advice to underclassmen:* "PARTY MORE!" *Most likely to be remembered for:* not coming to school.

Amber Dawn Andruch-
Nickname: Big Bird, Mermaid, Amber Jody. *Movie:* "Strange Land". *Future plans:* Go into the Military and get a job. *Clubs/sports:* ROTC 9-11, choir 9-10, basketball 9-11, Special Olympics manager 10. *Most memorable moment:* "Seeing my brother and sister graduate in the year 2000."

Kevin Armstrong-
Nickname: Buddy aka K-Bone aka Jimmy 2 times. *Song:* "Like Whoa". *Movie:* "Billy Madison". *Most likely to be remembered for:* Being the only person with an orange Mustang. *Favorite expression:* "What's up, What's up".

Zachary J. Baiel-
Nickname: Geek and Sack. *Future plans:* Marry Colleen. *Clubs/sports:* Web Master Club 12, geek Table 11-12, Philosophy 9-12, Varsity Football 12, Breakfast Club 9-12. *Most likely to be remembered for:* "Being an all around hard-core American Geek!" *Favorite Expression:* "Now all of these tastes improve through the view that comes with you."-Blake from "Jawbreaker".

Eric Barnhill-
Nickname: Skrilla. *Favorite movie:* "Cheech and Chong". *Future plans:* Construction. *Most memorable moments:* Fun Times. *Favorite expression:* "Laid back."

Michelle Bates-
Nicknames: Chelle, Chellehelle, Frida, Dutchman. *Song:* "On the Inside" by The Josh Holmes Band, "Going to California" by Led Zeppelin. *Movies:* "10 Things I Hate About You", "The Last of the Mohicans", "Sword in the Stone", anything with British humor or really cheesy '80s B-movies. *Plans:* "Go to college for studio art/creative writing, maybe get married, and have beautiful children, make art and write poetry, and be happy, and meet Eddie Vedder." *Most memorable moment:* Any event behind the scenes in theater, finding out I was going to be in an Artshow at IUN, Tibetan Freedom Concert with my rain buddies, Europe Trip with Bernie!

Melissa Bayer-
Nickname: Bayer. *Future plans:* Go to college and study Preschool or Elementary Education. Advice to underclassmen: "Have Fun!". *Clubs/sports:* Volleyball, Softball, L-Club council member. *Most memorable moment:* A teacher had his zipper down the whole hour and he didn't know.

Dan Blackford-
Nickname: Black. *Song:* "November Rain". *Movie:* "The Program". *Clubs/sports:* Football, L-Club, Track. *Most memorable moment:* '99 Football season.

Elizabeth Blankenbeckler-
Nickname: Liz, Sunshine, Idabet. *Future plans:* To go to college and be a graphic designer or writer and then marry. *Clubs/sports:* Softball 9-12, Volleyball 9-10, Swimming 9-11, Newspaper 11-12, Yearbook 12, L-Club 10-12, Student Council 12. *Most memorable moment:* Being in Junior Miss and meeting my wonderful boyfriend Bryan. *Favorite Expression:* "Love is Fear Itself."

Heath Brown-
Nickname: Brown. *Movie:* "Tommy Boy". *Future plans:* Attend college. *Advice to underclassmen:* Enjoy high school. *Clubs/sports:* Basketball. *Most memorable moment:* Last week of the school year.

Sara Bruce-
Song: "Nobody knows it all". *Plans:* go to college and become successful. *Advice to underclassmen:* Stand up for what you believe in, even if you are standing alone. *Clubs/sports:* L-Club, Swimming, Show choir, 4-H, poms. *Most memorable moment:* Being in the Junior Miss program

Tim Bult-
Nickname: Disco Tim. *Song:* "YMCA". "Saturday Night Fever".
Movie: "Disco Fever". *Most likely to be remembered for:* Doing Disco in the hallway, and my Camaro. *Expression:* "Y-M-C-A".

Brian Burdan-
Movie: "Playboy's Girlfriend". *Plans:* "Work with computers and become very rich." *Clubs/sports:* Drag Racing Club 11-12, Breakfast Club 9-12, Greek Table 11-12, Philosophy club, Varsity Football 10-12. *Most likely to be remembered for:* Showing up to class regularly. Easily entertained. *Expression:* "A little dab'll do ya!"-Naumowich.

Carol Burke-
Nickname: Skipper. *Song:* "Hotel California" "Tell me it's Real". *Most memorable moment:* First day of school, Freshman year. *Most likely to be remembered for:* Absolutely nothing. *Expression:* "Don't believe everything you hear."

Edwin Camacho-
Nickname: Macho. *Song:* Marc Anthony "I need to know". *Advice to underclassmen:* Don't trust anyone. *Most likely to be remembered for:* my '92 Crown Victoria.

Rebecca Marie Campa-
Nickname: Becca. *Movie:* "The Sound of Music" "Breakfast at Tiffany's". *Future plans:* "I plan to major in Political science at Purdue University, travel all over the world, move to a big city, attend law school, get married and start a family." *Advice to underclassmen:* the goals you set and the choices you make in high school are a blueprint of your future.

Clubs/sports: Student Council 10-12, Student Council Treasurer 12, Freshman Fundamentals leader 12, Athletic trainer 11, FCA 11, French Club 9-10, Poms 9.

Eric Carlson-
Nickname: Crazy Carl.
Movie: "Fight Club", "Clerks". *Advice to underclassmen:* Don't take candy from strangers. *Clubs/sports:* Football, FFA. *Most memorable moment:* Leaving the school parking lot.

Nicole Chermak-
Nickname: Nikki, Nik-ho. *Advice to underclassmen:* Have fun while you can because it is not here for long. *Clubs/sports:* Cheerleading, Student Athletic training, L-Club, Track, Junior Miss. *Most memorable moment:* In 1999 when our football team beat Highland in overtime in the last round of Sectionals. *Most likely to be remembered for:* I guess winning for class flirt, most likely to be in a nudist colony, getting kicked out of college and hopefully as being nice and friendly and loving to have fun.

Sean Clark-
Nickname: Leroy. *Movie:* "Matrix". *Future plans:* buy a double-wide and live by the river. *Most memorable moment:* When Chris Orange and Zach Hiene came to school naked. *Expression:* "Get naked", "I told you I'm gay, Janis."

Jennifer Clinton-
Future plans: Go to college. *Advice to underclassmen:* Do everything you can while you can. *Most memorable moment:* Freshman Fundamentals Senior leader. *Most likely to be remembered for:* Curly hair. *Expression:* "We be jammin'".

Nikki Clinton-
Nickname: Zelda. *Advice to underclassmen:* Don't slack off! *Most memorable moment:* When an authority figure fell down the stairs. *Most likely to be remembered for:* for being outspoken. *Expression:* "To smile'.

Jessica Conner-
Nickname: Lil' MaGee *Song:* "Baby got Back". "The Bad Touch". *Future plans:* "To get my cosmetology license and open my own shop". *Clubs/sports:* poms 9&11, Gymnastics 10, Student Council 10&11. *Most memorable moment:* Being in Junior miss, being a beatnick, loving chicken nuggets
Bryan Corns-
Movie: "Dazed and Confused" "Matrix" "Smokey and the Bandit". *Future plans:* get a job, new truck. *Advice to underclassmen:* Stay out of trouble. *Clubs/sports:* Frosh Football. *Most memorable moment:* meeting my girlfriend, Liz. Nick
Cornwell-
Song: "Like a Virgin" by Madonna. *Movie:* "Top Gun". *Future plans:* Go to college and be. *Clubs/sports:* Football, Golf. *Most likely to be remembered for:* Always being happy and never doing my homework and never coming to school.
Kelly Cosgrove-
Nickname: Kel, Kel-Bell. *Song:* "Last Kiss". *Movie:* Disney. *Future plans:* Go to college and be successful. *Club/sports:* Soccer, Athletic Training, L-Club council. Bryan **Cregger-**
Nickname: Patrick. *Song:* "Burn" by The Cure, "Hurt", "The Great Below", "That's What I Get" by Nine Inch Nails. *Movie:* "Assassins", "Matrix", "Braveheart", "Disturbing Behavior", "Desperado", "The Crow". *Future plans:* Going to Purdue Cal for Computer Graphics or/and Computer Programing. *Most likely to be remembered for:* Being very shy.
Anthony Dandurand-
Nickname: Cornwallace. *Future plans:* attend Ball State University. *Clubs/sports:* Track. *Expression:* Whaz Uuuuuuup!
Erik Dahl-
Future plans: Professional Musician. *Advice to underclassmen:* don't let anything stand in your way of your DREAMS. *Clubs/sports:* Soccer, Acoustic Club Jazz Band Marching Band. *Most memorable moment:* Being expelled. Being part of

the "Germany 8". *Most likely to be remembered for:* All of the parties, Life Drop.

Kristen Jean Daugherty-
Nickname: Piper Diper. *Advice to underclassmen:* Always wear clean underwear in case you get in an accident. *Clubs/sports:* Soccer, gymnastics, L-Club, Ecology club. *Most memorable moments:* Squirting butter on Jenny Kleefisch, Falling down with nachos, Dancing on Mark's van, FFA, Sami and I falling in JCPenny. SOUL TRAIN, 80's flashbacks, Barking down 41, Arby's guy and his secret sauce. Ten-Y-1. Favorite *expression:* "The second you stop looking is the moment you find what you're looking for", and Skankafied.

Zach Day-
Song: "Take on me". *Future plans:* Film production. *Advice to underclassmen:* Do what needs to get done and party hard! *Most memorable moments:* Looks like my whole Senior year. *Favorite expression:* "Save a tree, eat a beaver."

Erick Decker-
Nickname: Deck, Inspecta, Rick, Deck-Dogg, Dork, Idiot. *Movie:* "Tombstone". *Clubs/sports:* Freshman Fundamentals 12, I-Club 11-12, Basketball 9-12, Football 9, baseball 10-12, Shirtless Idiots 11, Tailgater 11-12. *Most memorable moments:* Watching the football team tear up thugs. Playing sports, and bringing down the house at the Pep Rally. Senior year of basketball. *Most likely to be remembered for:* Being the funniest man alive! Creating an AIDS antibody, curing Cancer in dogs, and having beautiful eyes.

Holley Denton-
Movie: "The Patriot", "Billy Madison", "My Best Friends Wedding". *Future plans:* College, be rich and successful! *Advice to underclassmen:* Live it up! You're only a Senior once!! *Clubs/sports:* Cheerleading 9-12, Tennis 9-12, Gymnastics 9, I-Club 9-12, Freshman Fundamentals 12, Junior Miss. *Most memorable moments:* FB semi-stateat Goshen, wrestling state, all the times with friends.

Justin Denton-
Song: "Kryponite". *Movie:* "The Rock". *Clubs/sports:* Golf, Student Athletic Trainer. *Expression:* Shutup Kierzek.

Bridget Anne DeLau-
Song: Metallica. *Future plans:* Social worker for kids with ADHD and autism. *Clubs/sports:* Marching Band, jazz Band, Concert band, Photography Club. *Most likely to be remembered for:* "Cuteness, easy to talk to, happy, always has smile on face."-Melissa Bayer.

James Dickinson-
Nickname: J.D. *Clubs/sports:* Basketball, Spanish Club, NHS. *Most memorable moment:* Filling out this form. *Most likely to be remembered for:* Getting wacked in the face with a sword by Peter Martin. *Expression:* "Dave Kuiper is the coolest guy in the world."

Helene Dubuc-
Nickname: Frenchy. *Song:* "Everything I do, I do it for You" by Brian Adams. *Movie:* "Grease", "Final Destination". *Future plans:* University in France.

Eric Duttlinger-
Nickname: Honky. *Song:* "Where the Green Grass Grows". *Advice to underclassmen:* Have Fun! *Clubs/sports:* FFA, Livestock Judging, Senior Leader. *Most memorable moments:* FFA Hog Roast.

Sarah Early-
Clubs/sports: Swimming. *Most memorable moment:* Making a gum sculpture in Charp's class. *Most likely to be remembered for:* Speaking my mind. *Expression:* If it feels good, do it.

Eric Ellis-
Song: "Slippin" by DMX. *Future plans:* I plan to build fast cars and marry Britney Spears.
Advice to underclassmen: "Have fun while you still can, even if you are in trouble." *Clubs/sports:* VICA. *Expression:* "Drive it like you stole it".

Rachel Engels-
Song: "The Lonely One" by Wilco. *Future plans:* Have something published. *Clubs/sports:* Academic Teams, NHS, Greenroom. *Most memorable moment:* Going to state for Academic Decathlon, especially the bus ride home. *Most likely to be remembered for:* Overachieving.

Jamie Eytcheson-
Movie: "Stir of Echos". *Advice to underclassmen:* Watch what you say and do. *Most memorable moments:* Being expelled twice. *Most likely to be remembered for:* Being so little yet so feisty. *Expression:* "Dude".

Bob Feeser-
Nickname: Enigma. *Song:* "Highway to Hell" by AC/DC, "Old L.A. Tonight" by Ozzy Osbourne, "Billion Dollar Babies" by Alice Cooper. *Future plans:* To bring my band "The G Spot" to fame. *Most likely to be remembered for:* Throwing a mechanical baby over the gym balcony, being a total standout whether I wanted to be our not, and speaking against authority, and doing what I please more or less, whether anyone liked it or not. *Expression:* "To lend the band, you must turn your back on the crowd."

Drew Fluehr-
Song: "Tear the Club Up". *Movie:* "Gone in 60 Seconds". *Future plans:* Work and go to college. *Advice to underclassmen:* work hard and get an education. *Most memorable moments:* Going to watch football games.

Ashley Foster-
Song: "Take On Me". "Ven Conmigo" by Christina Aguilera. *Movie:* "Ferris Bueller's Day Off", "The Breakfast Club". *Future plans:* Attend college, meet lots of boys, travel, live in England, and have an overall excellent life. *Advice to underclassmen:* Sit where you want at lunch. *Most memorable moments:* Being in my British band "Scotch Tape", freshman and sophomore year.

Michael French-
Nickname: Frenchie. *Advice to underclassmen:* Enjoy it while you can. *Clubs/sports:* L-Club, Football season, Basketball, Track. *Most memorable moment:* Junior and senior football season. *Most likely to be remembered for:* Athletics

Jessica Garza-
Nicknames: Garza, G-Dog. *Movie:* "American Pie". *Advice to underclassmen:* Be the best in school that you can be. *Most memorable moment:* Freshmen year Powder puff, homecoming, Prom. *Expression:* Slightly smiling.

Katie Giglio-
Song: "Crash" by Dave Matthews, "What I Got" by Sublime. *Future plans:* Attend Ball State, Major in Communications. *Clubs/sports:* Basketball 9-12, Cross country 11-12, Volleyball 9-10, Softball 10. *Most likely to be remembered for:* My sense of humor and my open mindedness. *Expression:* It's okay to let yourself go, just as long you can find yourself on your way back.

Chrissy Grabinski-
Nickname: Roberta, Chris. *Movie:* "My Girl 1 and 2". "Now and Then", "Center Stage", "Dirty Dancing". *Future plans:* Earn a degree in engineering, travel, and see the world. *Clubs/sports:* Gymnastics, Cheerleading, Band, Student Council, NHS, I-Club, Academic Decathlon, Academic Team. *Most likely to be remembered for:* Being strongly against the participation in nudist colonies.

Chad Griner-
Nicknames: Tennessee. *Movie:* "The Program". *Advice to underclassmen:* Good luck! *Most Memorable moment:* Playing football. *Most likely to be remembered for:* Being from Tennessee.

Dawn Grutzius-
Song: "Get the Best of Me" by Mya. *Future plans:* Attend college, be rich and buy lots of cars and shoes. *Advice to underclassmen:* watch out for first hour tardies and don't speed. *Most memorable moment:* Playing in the British Band, Scotch Tape, my freshman and sophomore year. *Most likely to be remembered for:* My hair.

Randy Hacker-
Nicknames: Hacker. Song: "Gettin' Rowdy with us" by Busta Rhymes. *Movie:* "Remember the Titans". *Clubs/sports:* "L"-Club,

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Katie Hall-
Future plans: Go to nursing school. *Advce to underclassmen:* Just hang in there. *Clubs/sports:* Softball 9, Yearbook 12. *Most memorable moment:* When an administrator fell down the stairs. *Expression:* Oh well!

Kip Hamm-
Song: "Last Resort" by Papa Roach. *Future plans:* U.T.I automotive tech, and get a job. *Advice to underclassmen:* Stay out of the Seniors way. *Clubs/sports:* Marching Band, Symphonic Band, Track and Field.

Kara Hanney-
Nickname: Oscar. *Song:* "Late nigh Tip" by Three-Six-Mofia. *Movie:* "Steel Magnolias". *Future plans:* College and business. *Advice to underclassmen:* Don't mess up junior year.

Steve Harker-
Movie: "Billy Madison". "Happy Gilmore". *Advice to undreclassmen:* Don't take anything for granted, it can disappear in an instant. *Clubs/sports:* "L"-Club, Basketball, Baseball. *Most memorable moment:* Tailgaiting before the footabll games and hanging out with friends. *Most likely to be remembered for:* Being a really dumb smart kid.

Jen Harkin-
Song: "I'm so high" by 36 Mofia. *Future plans:* Go to college or the Air Force. *Most memorable moment:* Senoir parades through the hallways. *Most likely to be remembered for:* My socks- I don't own 1 pair of white socks. *Expression:* GURL.

Dana Hanes-
Future plans: Attend Purdue in the fall for teaching. *Advice to underclassmen:* Live life to the fullest and have as much fun as you can!! *Clubs/sports:* Athletic Training 10-11. *Most memorable moment:* Being around my friends are the best moments I have had. I've had so much fun with them.

Zachary Heine-
Song: "She Thinks my Trackor's Sexy". *Favorite Movie:* "Moses". *Future plans:* Make Millions. *Most memorable moments:* Causing problems for Mr. Charpentier. *Expression:* No I will not make out with you Kathy.

Jason Harper-
Nickname: Jaytwan, Harp, Jay. Song: "*What the World Needs* Now" by Burt Bachrach. *Most memorable moment:* Dressing up on Fridays for football games. *Most likely to be remembered for:* Almost killing a horse. *Expression:* L.L.T!!!

Anthony A. Hernandez-
Nickname: T.J. *Song:* "Eclipse" by Pink Floyd. *Movie:* "Fear and Loathing in Las Vegas". *Future plans:* Be rich. *Advice to underclassmen:* You've gotten this far it's pointless to give up now.

Ryan Hicks-
Movie: "Curse of the Queerwolf". *Future plans:* Whatever. *Advice to underclassmen:* Look toward the sky, for the time is near. *Most memorable moment:* Going home. *Most likely to be remembered for:* Being one of those confused "God people".

Jim Hile-
Nickname: Sausage. *Future plans:* Go to college for computer science major. *Advice to underclassmen:* Women like men with gelled hair. *Most memorable moment:* Freshman fundamentals, career day, the dunes. *Favorite expression:* Where's the beef?

Rebecca Hinds-
Nickname: Smecky. *Favorite song:* "Fade to Black", "Outlaw Torn". *Future plans:* Go to college, move out of Lowell and start a family. *Advice to underclassmen:* Enjoy your time now, it won't last. *Favorite expression:* To love, or not to love that is the real question.

Mel Hindrichs-
Nickname: Crazy Mel. *Movie:* "Road Trip". *Advice to underclassmen:* Move out of Indiana. *Most memorable moment:* My first day in L.H.S. *Most likely to be remembered for:* Sense of humor.

Joe Hisaw-
Nickname: Joe. *Future plans:* Go to college. *Advice to underclassmen:* Play sports, take every opportunity given to you, never give up. *Clubs/sports:* Football, L-Club. *Most memorable moment:* Being part of the Red Devil Football Team. *Expression:* Suffer now and live the rest of your life like a champion.

Lauren Hopkins-
Song: "Tell Her You Love Her" by Lonestar. *Movie:* "She's All That", "Varsity Blues". Future plans: Go to college, swim and study computer technology. *Advice to underclassmen:* Stick with your dreams and never give up. *Most memorable moment:* Being Conference champs in swimming and going to Regionals for track.

Emily Iliff-
Nickname: Emo, Shemily. *Future plans:* Become a chiropractor. *Advice to underclassmen:* If you tell, I will spank you, I will spank you like a bad, bad donkey. *Clubs/sports:* Softball, Newspaper. *Most memorable moment:* During softball practice I gave a girl a concussion when I threw a ball. She was in the hospital for a week and has reoccuring headaches.

Danielle Johnson-
Nickname: Glitter Gurl. *Advice to underclassmen:*Be afraid, be very afraid. *Most memorable moment:*When it caught fire (oh wait it didn't happen!). *Most likely to be remembered for:* My loud mouth. *Favorite expression:* "Iiiiiight"and "Sucks to be you!".

Mike Jung-
Nickname: Miguel, Stool. *Movie:* "Matrix". *Clubs/sports:* Spanish for a little while. *Most memorable moment:* One time I wore an ace bandage on my head all day. *Most likely to be remembered for:* Playing Zebulon Harman in Humanities II.

Ryan Kasparian-
Nickname: Ugly, Chewy, Crooked Spine Face. *Future plans:* Live with Charpentier or marry a rich woman. *Advice to underclassmen:* Take the blue pill. *Clubs/sports:* Varsity football, LaCrosse team, Wrestling. *Most likely to be remembered for:* Big ugly fat stink face.

Mike Kemling-
Nickname: Fuzz. *Song:* "Dig" by Madvayne. *Movie:* "Seven". *Advice to underclassmen:* Just flow. *Most likely to be remembered for:* Hair.

Jenny Kern-
Song: "God Must Have Spent a Little More Time on You" by N'sync. *Movie:* "Dirty Dancing". *Future plans:* Go to college, become a Pediatric nurse and marry Justin Timberlake! *Clubs/sports:* Athletic Training, Tennis, Spanish club, FCA, and L-Club. *Most memorable moment:* Fall Training season 2000! Thank you to the trainers and all the others who made it so much fun!

Christina Kincaid-
Future plans: Go to I.U. Bloomington and major in pediatic nursing. *Advice to underclassmen:* Have fun while you can. *Clubs/sports:* Poms squad, Choir, and Spanish club. *Most memorable moment:* Humanities I class with Mrs. Hurt and Mrs. Peters. *Expression:* "Everthing in life happens for a reason, so don't complain."

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Brad Smith-
Nickname: Popa Chubby. *Favorite song:* "Freak on a Leash" by KORN. *Future plans:* College, automobile technician. *Advice to underclassmen:* Stop cheating and learn. *Clubs/sports:* Band, Marching Band, and Jazz Band. *Most likely to be remembered for:* My truck.

Greg Smith-
Nicknames: Smitty or IBS. *Future plans:* Play ball in college and major in architecture. *Advice to underclassmen:* Get involved; before you know it your four years will be over. *Clubs/sports:* Football 9-12; Baseball 9-12; L-club; Freshmen Fundamentals; and Student Council. *Most memorable moment at LHS:* 1999-2000 Football seasons.

Tara Spicer-
Nicknames: Prostitute in Jellies. *Favorite movie:* "Dazed and Confused". *Future plans:* Pediatric nurse and Air Force. *Advice to underclassmen:* Don't talk smack. *Most memorable moment at LHS:* Taking control of the underclassmen.

Genevieve St. Clair-
Favorite song: "Five Steps" by Dru Hill. *Favorite movie:* "Ever After". *Future plans:* Study child psychology, get married, and be happy. *Clubs/sports:* Spanish Club, Academic Super Bowl, and Freshmen Fundamentals. *Favorite expression:* Unless the heart is full, even a rich man is poor.

Rachael Stewart-
Favorite song: "Lime and the Coconut" by The Eagles. *Future plans:* To be a flight attendant. *Advice to underclassmen:* Don't worry too much about what other people think and don't always believe what you hear. *Most memorable moment at LHS:* Being on the announcements and almost passing out.

Rachel Stiener-
Nicknames: Rae or Rache. *Favorite movies:* "The Matrix", "French Kiss", "Walk in the Clouds", and "Blade". *Future plans:* Attend Butler and become a chiropractor. *Advice to underclassmen:* Respect your elders. *Clubs/sports:* Cross Country, Basketball, and Track.

Kristina Stojak-
Nicknames: Blondie and Hojak. *Favorite song:* "Back That Thing Up". *Favorite movie:* "Final Destination". *Future plans:* To be a pharmacist and have a family. *Most likely to be remembered for:* Being very out-spoken.

Jayme Suggs-
Nickname: Suggsie. *Future plans:* I plan to attend Purdue; maybe study forensic studies. *Advice to underclassmen:* Stova: Don't ever forget, you can only miss 8 days a semester, and there is a little Xena in all of us. *Clubs/sports:* Basketball, Spanish Club, Student Council, and Freshmen Fundamentals. *Most memorable moment at LHS:* Being out for a week because of the snow my sophomore year.

Amanda Swank-
Nicknames: Manda Panda and Manders. *Future plans:* Attend Purdue. *Advice to underclassmen:* Have lots of fun and get involved. *Clubs/sports:* Show Choir, Poms, and Student Council. *Most likely to be remembered for:* Being the shortest girl in our class and singing The National Anthem at the basketball games.

April Szablewski-
Nicknames: Pood. *Favorite song:* "Cha Cha Slide". *Future plans:* Working in the medical field. *Most memorable moment at LHS:* When Stewart shaved his head. *Favorite expression:* "Verizon Wireless".

Lauren Thompson-
Favorite movie: "Pulp Fiction" and "Fight Club". *Future plans:* Go to college. *Advice to underclassmen:* Enjoy high school, it will be over before you know it. *Most memorable moment:* Going out to breakfast with Humanities. *Favorite expression:* You can do anything that you put your mind to.

Tonya Thompson-
Nicknames: T.T., Ton-Bons, or BTT. *Advice to underclassmen:* Dance Naked! *Clubs/sports:* Softball 9-12; Diving 9,11; and Freshmen Fundamentals. *Most likely to be remembered for:* Double trouble! *Favorite expression:* "A good man is hard to find!" and "I was just having fun!"

Sarah Toce-
Favorite song: "Wind Beneath My Wings". *Favorite movies:* "Beaches" and "The Rose". *Future plans:* To become a successful actress. *Clubs/sports:* Drama, Choir, and Media Club. *Favorite expression:* "The feet that you step on today are usually connected to the behind you'll kiss tomorrow."

Candis Valentine-
Nicknames: Roll-baby. *Favorite songs:* "Twist" and "Slippin'. *Favorite movies:* "Friday" and "Dazed and Confused". *Future plans:* To go into advertising. *Most memorable moment at LHS:* When Mrs. Andrews fell down the stairs. *Most likely to be remembered for:* My uniqueness.

Michele Lee Vandercar-
Nickname: Shelley. *Favorite song:* "I'll Be" by Edwin McCain and "Sad Times" by Josh Holmes Band. *Future plans:* Attend Purdue and hopefully write for a magazine or become a news reporter. *Advice to underclassmen:* Do not worry about what people think of you because in the end, you are all the same. *Most memorable moment at LHS:* Everyday in the training room with the awesome fall staff. I love you girls!!

Erin Viers-
Nicknames: Little Irish, Sunshine, and Too Short. *Favorite movie:* "Stand By Me". *Future plans:* attend Indiana University and become a neonatologist. *Advice to underclassmen:* Keep trying no matter what, and if you fall, always get back up. *Clubs/sports:* Cheerleading 10; Poms 9; Gymnastics 9-12; Soccer 10-12; L-Club; French Club; and Freshmen Fundamentals.

Elizabeth Jean Weeks-
Favorite movie: "Erin Brokovich" and "Coyote Ugly". *Future plans:* Go to college and major in graphic design/photography, become successful, get married, and BE happy! *Clubs/sports:* Student Council, Poms, Choir, Art Guild, Photography Club, Yearbook, Freshmen Fundamentals, Peer Mediator, Junior Miss, and Golf. *Most memorable moment at LHS:* Junior Miss, English tea and crumpets, Chinese food, ceramics, and freshmen year homecoming. *Most likely to be remembered for:* Smile and personality!!

Jessica Wellman-

Favorite song: "Where is Everybody" and "The Perfect Drug". *Favorite movies:* "The Matrix" and "American History X". *Future plans:* To go to boot camp, college, and have a successful and memorable life. *Advice to underclassmen:* Live life to the fullest. *Most memorable moment at LHS:* Humanities Class. *Most likely to be remembered for:* Most crazy, loud, and outgoing personality.

Amanda Wilson-
Favorite movie: "National Lampoon's Vacation". *Future plans:* I will be attending college for business management. *Advice to underclassmen:* Hold on to these years because they fly by. *Most memorable moments at LHS:* The times spent in Humanities working on projects with friends. *Favorite expression:* "Life might get you down, but it is those dear to you that help you get back up.

Benjamin Wilson-
Favorite movie: "The Fifth Element" and "Sister Act". *Advice to underclassmen:* Don't have any shame in your game. *Clubs/sports:* Swimming and L-Club. *Most likely to be remembered for:* Making people laugh. *Favorite expression:* "Don't discriminate, regulate!"

Michelle Wilkerson-
Nickname: Dub. *Favorite song:* "Motivated" by Three 6 Mafia. *Future plans:* Be a nurse. *Most likely to be remembered for:* Never judging people by their appearances and liking everyone.

Bob Wragg-
Nicknames: B. Bobby Wragg, B. Wragg, and Bragg. *Favorite movie:* "Remember the Titans" and "Varsity Blues". *Future plans :* Go to college, play college ball, and major in business. *Clubs/sports:* Football 9-12; Baseball 9-10; and Wrestling 12. *Favorite expression:* "We're the best around!" and "The sky's the limit!".

Rusty Zea-
Favorite song: "Girls" by the Beastie Boys. *Favorite movie:* "Gone in 60 Seconds". *Future plans:* Go to school and become a computer-netwrking technician. *Advice to underclassmen:* Follow the walls. *Clubs/sports:* Band 9-12; Marching Band 10-12; and Jazz Band 10-11. *Most likely to be remembered for:* "Quality" driving.

Zhi S. Zhang-
Nickname: Chinaman. *Favorite movie:* "The Matrix". *Future plans:* Go to college. *Advice to underclassmen:* Stay in school.

Rachel Zilai-
Nicknames: Little R or Shorty. *Favorite song:* "Unforgiven 2". *Favorite movie:* "The Matrix". *Future plans:* College. *Advice to underclassmen:* Don't be stupid. *Clubs/sports:* NHS. *Most memorable moment at LHS:* Being evacuated for chlorine contamination and putting on the 1920's show in Humanities 2. *Most likely to be remembered for:* Being short and quiet. *Favorite expression:* "Crap!"

Tara Zimmerman-
Nickname: Smara Sue. *Favorite song:* "Wasn't me". *Future plans:* I plan on going to college and majoring in Psychology. *Clubs/sports:* Color Guard and Winter Guard. *Most memorable moment at LHS:* Hitting a tree while backing out of my friend's driveway.

CLASS OF 2002

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Balfanz, Kurt
Ball, Stefanie
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Berg, John
Bevc, Goran
Biederstadt, Michelle
Blaskovich, Dan



Boesch, Cassie
Borkowski, Joe
Bougie, David
Bradburn, Matthew
Braun, Matthew









Brownwell, Mike
Brownfield, Isaac
Bruckman, David
Bryant, Robert
Bubness, Zack







Bulkema, Diana
Bult, Sarah
Butchart, Jason
Butler, Stephanie
Camacho, Edwin







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Castle, Whitney
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Chilli, Frankie
Cholodinski, Heather







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Christiansen, Merideth
Clement, Matt
Cole, Crystal
Collom, Nick







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Crabb, Lyle
Cramer, Barbara
Craven, Diana
Creighton, Katie







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Crowley, Shane
Crulcich, Jake
Csepiga, Katrina
Cullum, Mike

Curtis, Amanda
Curtis, Elizabeth
Cusic, Meredith
Daniluk, Danielle
Davis, Ashlee



Deruntz, Renee
Dewes, David
Duncan, Jackie
Duncan, Zak
Ellis, Abby



Ensweiler, Becky
Erpelding, Adam
Evans, Marie
Feeser, Robert
Ferry, William



Fisher, Daniel
Flack, James
Flatt, Kristi
French, Lindsey
Gable, Jessica



Garton, Alana
Gearhart, Aimee
George, Chris
Glaze, Martin
Goff, Amanda



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Hastings, Kelvin
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Hill, Jeremy
Hoch, Joe







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Holley, Eric
Hoots, Derek
Houchins, Allen







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Hubert, Jessica
Hudak, Dustin
Huffman, Pat
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Jankovic, Steve
Jansky, Jennyfer
Johnsten, Cindy
Jones, Taylor







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Karras, Sam
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Kersey, Ryan







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Kinnis, Justin
Knight, Kevin
Kopka, Matthew

Kriske, John
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Kuiper, John
Lappie, Ryan
Lee, Miranda



Legg, Justin
Lenzo, Teresa
Leon, Mike
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Lippie, Bradley
Lopez, Michael
Lukasik, Jessica
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Martz, Amanda



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Mitsch, Scott
Mlynarczyk, Ann









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Moore, Misty
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Nichols, Eric
Nitz, Ken
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Parkhill, Angela
Patz, Cassie
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Pillar, Jesica
Pioth, Deborah
Poppe, Karl







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Radosevich, Jeff
Ramstom, Rusty
Reed, Tyler
Rhoten, Bryan
Rosenwinkel, Heather



Ross, Nicole
Rust, Steven
Salai, Scott
Sampson, Adam
Santos, Genaro



Scheive, Joe
Schoon, Megan
Sciackitano, Brian
Sciackitano, Nick
Scott, Kristin



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Shoun, Anthony
Simmons, Tim
Sims, Steffany
Slaven, Danielle



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Smith, Abra
Smolik, Lucas
Smyth, Elizabeth



Snyder, Janet
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Stovall, Danielle
Sullivan, Katie









Summers, Shannon
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Talarek, Chrissy







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Thompson, Sarah
Vaandrager, Caroline







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Verkler, Brandon







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Wolters, Alexis
Wuske, Amber




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Zwiers, Kevin

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Besaw, Lloyd
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Butler, Becky
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Cellarius, Britanny
Cerros, Jamie
Chilcott, George







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Childress, Loni
Clark, Amanda
Cleveland, Jessica
Comstock, Ashley







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Cross, Brian
Cummins, Nicole
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Devona, Elizabeth
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Drever, Ryan



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Elliott, Jessica
Fatyol, Brandon
Favors, Jason



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Ferry, Chris
Ferry, Jennifer
Forney, Jeffery



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Fuller, Dustin



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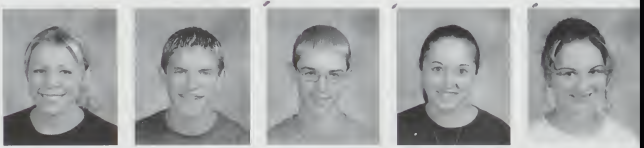
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Benham, Robin



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Kutanovski, Angie



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Lang, Daniel



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Mcgraw, Kimberly





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Meschede, Joe
Meyers, Jennifer
Michiels, Kevin



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Morgan, Brooke
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Musgrave, Robert
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Newton, Jonathan
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Overdorf, Eddie
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Patrevito, Alex
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Prahlow, Chrystal







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Rose, Isaiah
Rosevear, Chris







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Smith, Kyle
Sons, Crystal







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Spicer, Kyle
Sprouse, Steven
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Stevens, Heather
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Strickling, Joshua
Sullivan, Patrick
Talaga, Daniel



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Taylor, Mary
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Thompson, Charles



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Travis, Andrew
Umfleet, Jake



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Vanes, Katie
Vassar, Amanda
Venditti, Tom
Vicari, Joseph



Voss, Rachel
Vuletich, Heather
Wachowski, John
Wade, Daniel
Walkowiak, Luke



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Watson, Amanda
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Wendel, Amber
White, Amanda









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Teacher Memories....

Nineteen sixty-eight is the year LHS won its first basketball championship. That same year, we became the Calumet Conference co-champs.
Students dress style was much different then. Male students always wore dress shirts with collars while female students wore skirts--usually mid-calf. Fridays were Senior-Cord Days. Senior students had a light tan pair of corduroy slacks or skirts that were hand painted with pictures and logos that personally represented them. Symbols might be a basketball, or the name of a play, or an instrument. Only Seniors wore them.
---Mr. Ouwenga

The funniest thing I remember is the day I fell over in my class. I was sitting in one of those gold chairs like they have in the faculty lounge, only mine was behind my desk. I leaned over to pick something up off the floor and KERBOOM!!!!---Ms. Allen

Last year in my 8th hour Spanish II class, I had only 11 students. One day, while I was teaching verb conjugation, Kevin Babcock out of no where shouts, "Ms. Walker you have a bird in your grill!" The class laughed although no one--including me--had an idea about what he was talking about. He says to me, "Don't you drive a red Blazer?" I said "yes" and he said, "I just remembered! While I was walking in this morning, I saw a dead bird in the grill of your car!" I thought he was making it up. I thought I would have known if I had hit a bird. With ten minute of class left, I sent Kevin and another student to the bathroom to get paper towels and all eleven of us head to the parking lot to find my car. The whole way out I'm shaking my finger at him and saying, "Pedro, I have detention supervision tonight, so if you are making this up, you'll be spending 45 minutes with me after school!" Sure enough, under the Chevy emblem of my Blazer there was a dead bird. So the boys got it out and put it in the dumpster. I love teaching because I never know what my students are going to say sometimes. They always find a way to crack you up.---Ms. Walker

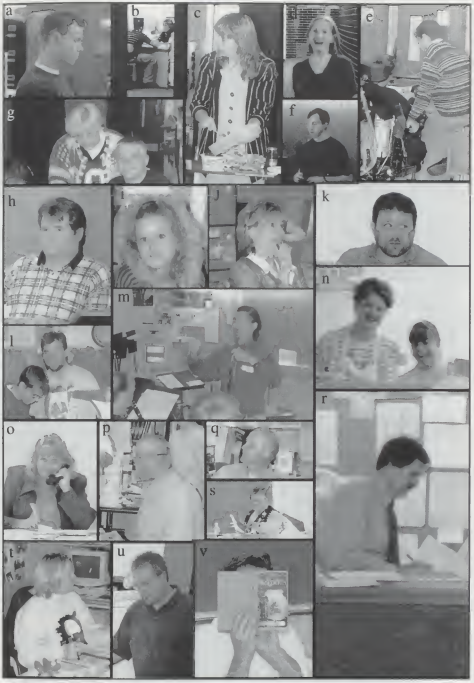


Mr. Weiend and Mr. Ouwenga help math students learn on the computers in the middle of the pod.



Mrs. Cusic helps freshman Mollie Novak work on researching works cited. "If you use synonyms you'll be able to find sources related."---Mrs. Cusic

Faculty





Mr. Naumowich looks involved with the topic he is discussing. He has been here over twenty years now.



"Caught ya cheating again!" ---Mr. Kamanaroff

Remember When, Ten Years Ago...

Teachers used to be interested in teaching, and today are not interested in teaching values along with curricular. I find that when students are treated and expected to act like ladies and gentlemen- they really enjoy it and learn about life from it.-----Mrs. Reed

For fun, my friends and I would have slumber parties. We'd stay up all night watching movies (like the *Karate Kid*) and pranking boys on the phone! Looking back at my collection of tapes, our favorite bands were Nirvana, Pearl Jam, Guns 'n Roses, Beastie Boys and Mariah Carey.---Ms. Lake

Fashion was consisted of ripped jeans, seattle "grunge" was in, angry rock was in, long hair, and berkenstoks.--Mr. Zandstra

Today many students are motivated by external and materialistic things, rather than doing well or doing nice things just because it is the right thing to do.---Mrs. Harger

General Society has has had a change in mores. What once was considered rude, inconsiderate and disprespectful have become the norm, and not seen as in appropriate--- Mr. Stewart

Ten years ago I ate lunch food. Today I brown bag it.--- Ms. Allen

Kids today are more interested in doing things their own way and are not interested in committment.---Mr. Birmingham

a. Gionotti, b. Nelson, c. Magley,
d. McCollister/Lussig, e. Ms. Kersey,
f. Becker, g. Lonardi, h. Schmidt,
i. Thomas, j. Denton, k. Cauley,
l. J. Anderson, m. Kovarik,
n. Lutgen/Nichols, o. Skaggs, p. Stewart,
q. Bliha, r. Chelap, s. Allen,
t. Harger, u. Bays, v. Charpentier

Communicating Within Lowell...

Business, Technology, Foreign Language

In today's fast-paced society, people today are communicating through means never before thought possible. Through cell phones, e-mail, cell phones that have e-mail, people are pretty much able to keep in contact with one another at all times. Lowell, as a high school, promotes various means through which students learn to communicate outside of our sheltered town, whether it be through a foreign language, learning about technological advancements, or reporting about events occurring in school to the rest of the world.

Foreign Language: The French and Spanish classes learn to communicate beyond Lowell in the most obvious way. Through practicing vocabulary, conjugating the most exicting of verbs, celebrating each culture's various holidays, or enjoying a "multi-cultural experience," students are being made aware of the diversity of the world around them.

Technology: Connecting Lowell to the rest of the world is the high school's technology classes. Cisco networking and computer repair courses each devote two hours of the school day for students to work at the old Oak Hill Elementary School, connecting the school's computers to the internet and facilitating students to maintain contact with the rest of the world.

Business: Lowell High School's business classes enable students to learn to communicate beyond their years of high school with their future co-workers and employers through dispersing inner-office memos, sending out business letters, etc. Students come away with a firm grasp of understanding Microsoft Word and Microsoft Excel, along with perfecting their skills at Solitaire, FreeCell, or Minesweeper after the completion of their assignments, which may certainly come in handy in today's business world.

-Rachel Engels

Right: Mrs. Reed, enjoying her first year at Lowell High School along with first year Spanish students, takes the time to share the celebrations and traditions of Dia de los Corozones (a.k.a. Valentine's Day).

Below: Emily Iliff looms over Mrs. Nelson with yet another burning query about how to perfect her web page.





Right: Ms. Sally Allen, the vivacious teacher of both French and Spanish classes, enjoys reading the newspaper while being accompanied by her entourage of monkeys and apes (February's theme for her classroom).



Funny Moments

In my Spanish II class, I had only 11 students. One day, while I was at the board in the middle of teaching verb conjugation, Kevin Babcock, out of nowhere shouts out, "Ms. Walker, you have a bird in your grill!" Then he proceeded to laugh hysterically, even though no one else in the class knew what he was talking about (especially me).

So he says to me, "Don't you drive a red Blazer?" When I said yes, he said, "I just remembered! While I was walking in this morning I saw a dead bird in the grill of your car!" At first I was convinced that he was making this all up. I said, "Don't you think I would know it if I was driving along and hit a bird?"

Anyway, with ten minutes of class left, I send Kevin and another student to the bathroom to get paper towels, and I drag all 11 students out to the parking lot to check. The whole way out to the parkinglot I'm shaking my finger at him, saying, "Pedro, I have detention supervision tonight, so if you're making this up, you'll be spending 45 minutes with me after school!" and he just kept laughing.

Sure enough, right there under the Chevy emblem of my Blazer was a dead bird. So I made the guys get it out and put it in the dumpster.

--Ms. Walker



Above: Senior Jessica Wellman, donning her rain coat as a shield for the sometimes Arctic weather conditions frequently felt in school, works on completing her assignment.



Below: Constructing alters for Dia de los Muertes, Mrs. Ryser's third year Spanish class participates in learning the customs associated with that holiday.



. . . And Beyond
(Journalism, ROTC, and Home Ec)

Journalism: Lowell High School's journalism classes help to communicate what is happening around Lowell to the rest of the world. Included among these are the yearbook and newspaper classes, faithfully reporting both the frequently mundane and the rarely controversial in the small town of Lowell.

ROTC: Part of the AFOTS and the Air Force Training Command, ROTC consistently reaches out to the community, participating in local parades, the Head Start program, and color guard. Even throughout Lowell, ROTC takes part in food drives, celebrations, events, and often work in conjunction with various other organizations.

Home Ec: Our high school's Nutrition and Wellness classes, while not obvious advocates of communication, have aided in promoting the exchange of ideas in the family for the last year. These classes have included child and human development, which helps demonstrate the consequences of early parenthood, and the foods courses, which brings people and families closer together.

As can be seen, Lowell High School does, in fact, offer a somewhat wide variety of ways for students to communicate outside our little community. Perhaps someday this will be done to a much greater extent, with maybe more than two languages to take and laptops for everyone. Until then, though, we should probably be glad that Lowell is even attempting to keep up with today's fast-paced world of technological advancements.

-Rachel Engels

The Home Ec classes were asked this question:

If you could be any baked good, what would you be?

Cake	70%
Luscious French Toast	10%
Pie	10%
Cinnamon Rolls	2%
Cupcake	2%
Chicken and Rice	2%
Cheesecake	2%
Doughnut	2%



Above: I think Sarah Early is having twins!! Oh, wait a minute. She's only modeling the Empathy Belly for the Child Development class.

Right: Lowell's ROTC, fully armed and camoflauged, looks as though they're ready for battle... or maybe just a parade in the docile streets of Valparaiso for the annual Popcorn Festival.



Right: Rachael Stewart and Amanda Salatas, learning to master their culinary skills, admire their cinnamon rolls, which are obviously the type of baked goods which 2% of those taking the survey wanted to be.



Right: "I can't believe I'm doing all of the work!" says Katie Giglio, while Debbie Pioth justs sits there smiling.

Happy Bot Saves the Day

On Valentines Day, the newspaper staff was feeling a little down. Out of the twelve staffers, only three of them had someone special in their life. Brian Burdan started to cheer everyone up, Brian Burdan started to cut up a box, drew on it, and named it "Happy Bot." When Happy Bot walked into the room, an instant laughter came from the staff. Soon Burdan was teased for his ridiculous costume, and Happy Bot then said, "You have angered Happy Bot." Then he proceeded to put the mean Happy Bot face on. Needless to say, Happy Bot brightened everyone's day.

--Jimmy Lentz



Above: **Brian Burdan shows that there is much love on the newspaper staff**







Left: Kristen Daugherty, Jen Jansky, Liz Blankenbeckler, and Sami Rader, members of yearbook, are checking their e-mail--I mean. . . working on their yearbook spreads. (What else could the staff be doing?)

Interesting Answers to Question You've Always Wanted to Know

Q: Have you ever tried to fix something on a car, but knew no matter what you did to fix it, you just couldn't?

A: "Yes, but I figured it out with a little help," said Senior Greg Krumwiede.

Q: What is the hardest thing to fix on a car?

A: "Transmission," said junior Kurt Balfanz.

Q: What was the most memorable moment during class?

A: "When the oil pan broke and it went all over Milan Tanasijevich shoes. We also parked his car into the front yard of the school," said junior Joe Vandercar.

Q: Do you plan on going to college for automotive repair?

A: "Yes, I'm going to Lincoln Tech," said Tom Rindfuss.



Senior Greg Krumwiede and Eric Ellis loosen the motor mount to change spark plugs on Eric'c car.

"VICA" which stands for Vocational Industrial Clubs of America is a club that students from all schools get into. During the year they have competition between the schools. If they win they go to a national competition and compete with other states. "It is very competitive," said Bob Harvey.

Most of the students that take this course will go on to be an Automotive Technician, Diesel Technician, or Small Engines Technician. There is a wide field available to get trained in to become a certified technician.

When they go out to work in the shop area, Harvey tries to run it just like any repair facility would. They have General Technicians, service writer and shop foreman. They do everything from minor repairs to diagnose major engine problems.

The 3rd hour class is approximately 90% shop work and 10% classroom instruction. The 2nd hour class is approximately 50%-50%.

-Liz Blankenbeckler



Junior Kurt Balfanz gets his hands dirty while junior Brandon Pulley and junior Pat Huffman keep clean.

VICA Work Hands On with Education



Working Hands On In the Real World Really Does Pay Off

	Highest pay per year
Automotive Body Repairer	$41,569
Diesel Engine Mechanic	$42,527
Automtive Mechanic	$28,141
Welder	$28,222
Truck Driver	$35,537
Sheetmetal Mechanic	$36,234

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Junior Chris George asks himself "How do I do this again" while Joe Vandercar and Joe Hoch look for information to help him out.



Juniors Ryan Lappie, Danny Paciorek, Brandon Pulley, Joe Hoch, Kile Madison, Joe Vandercar, and Adam Sampson do a little group work.



Senior Eric Ellis looks like he is eating a lemon but in all actuality, he is greasing a tire.

SURVEY SAYS...

How does physical education make you a well-rounded person?

Of the100 freshman P.E. participants surveyed:

- 69% say it stimulates their mind as well as their body.
- 12% say being in shape makes them feel better about their appearence.
- 19% say it improves their self-esteem.

Right: Senior Jeremy Hill displays his hard work and dedication as he flexes for the camera.

Below: Senior Chad Griner, Lowell's newest addition to the football team, trains in his weightlifting class.



Physical Education at Lowell High School helps to build the body and mind of the students taking this course. Coach Kirk Kennedy pushes students and helps them train to be in the best physical and mental shape.

After earning a "C" or better in freshman Physical Education, students have the option of enrolling in an advanced weight lifting or Physical Education program. In these classes, athletes continue to enhance their skills and stay in shape during the off season.

Along with physical education, health classes taught by Kent Lindsey, Kirk Kennedy, Patti McCormack, and Mary Beth Opat help to expand the knowledge of how the body works and precautions to take care of it. This class is normally taken by freshmen, but as a required course, every student will have to take it once during their high school career.

Through the many importances of these classes, the students will benefit greatly in the long-run. They will build confidence, knowledge, stamina, as well as physical and mental health. I suggest that every student should take the class at one point in high school.

-Joe Monaldi

Health, P.E., & Weightlifting

"Power of the Body"



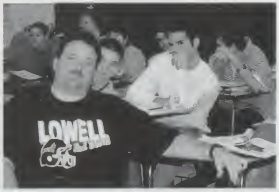
Unusual Stories

One cold snowy day, students from the two advanced classes decided to bring some of the snow inside. The halls were a mess, with water and slush everywhere. It was all fun and games until Christopher Kimbrell hit Coach Kennedy with a giant snowball. That put a quick damper on our fun.

During January, when the freshman class was involved in their swimming unit, some upperclassmen decided to play a dirty prank. They quietly turned off the showers while the swimmers were taking their shower...cold!

One senior, who shall remain anonymous, recalls breaking the scoreboard in the multi-purpose room while playing extreme kickball. The scoreboard crashed into the gym floor, nearly injuring many innocent bystanders.

Below: Health teacher Kirk Kennedy focuses on assisting his students with their book work. The student to teacher ratio in these classes ensures success.







Far Left: Senior Peter Martin *still* can't understand how that shot didn't go in the hoop. Sophomore Shawn Lamphere prepares for the next offensive play. Left: Seniors Ryan Seydel, Jason Harper, Heath Brown, and Joe Monaldi take a quick break for a picture before the big badmitton championship.

The Low-Down

Welcome to the life we know as school. English, Math, Social Studies, and Science; these are the main factors in which our daily lives revolves around. School is the sun and these subjects are the planets which orbit....Okay, enough crap. Hi. I am at school trying to finish up this spread because someone else was not responsible enough to do it themselves. So here I am, trapped in a windowless cell while outside, it is a beautiful day. THIS is the consequence for being involved in the so-called "school life". There's an oxymoron if I have ever seen one. The words "school" and "life" should not and cannot combine. Yeah, we are at a building dubbed "SCHOOL", but in my opinion, it can be a prison.

It does have it's strong points and all:
*we learn stuff that can be helpful in real life situations
*once finished with this school, we get to upgrade (if you choose) to another school...with some freedom.
*You get to meet some really cool people in jail.. I mean school.

But with strong points comes "sucky" points:
*You have to wake up at the "butt-crack" of dawn to get here for a seemingly unending day of tedious work and what not. (That point alone encompasses all negative points.)

Overall, school is a great "forced"-learning environment and it is here that we learn the skills which are vitally necessary in growing and living as a human. Without what we learn here, we would all end up working at McDonald's for the rest of our sorry lives. SO... now I realize how important prison...I mean school is. The things that we learn in our English, Math, Social Studies, and Science classes are the vital signs necessary for living.



Left: A Shakespeare class sits observantly, while Mrs.Magley enlightens them into the ways of Shakespeare's writings. (Oooh... Aaah.)



Above: Freshman Chris Rosevear prays that he does well on the geometry final. (HA... like that can happen or something...j/j.)

English/Science/ Social Studies/Math

DISCLAIMER: (This spread was made by an anonymous person. Let's just say he was mad, tired, and surly.)



Above: Senior Kara Hanney, studies intensely during her Government class. Isn't that just special.



Junior Nick Sciackitano and English teacher Mrs. Mclussig review prior to the Frosh "Fun" retreat. (nothing to do with English, Math, S.S., or Science.)



Below: We have senior Michelle Bates...aka Chelle. Here, we have her looking dead-sexy while eating/inhaling an apple. The green apples happen to be her favorite food and prove to be a great brain food. We love Chelle and Chelle loves us.



Left: Here we have Mr. Peterson doing something science related. Wow. There's a suprise.

Survey Says (of the 119 students who responded):

Percentage of LHS kids who enjoy *Mathematics*	17%
Percentage of LHS kids who enjoy *Science*	38%
Percentage of LHS kids who enjoy *History*	56%
Percentage of LHS kids who enjoy *Reading*	62%
Percentage of LHS kids who enjoy *Gym*	85%
Percentage of LHS kids who enjoy *Lunch*	99%
Percentage of LHS kids who spelled "percentage" correctly	57%



It's unique how one of the definitions for *academic* is "formal" or "pedantic"; the root word "pedant" (a noun) is defined as"one who emphasizes trivial points of learning." As we know, trivial is defined as "unimportant" or "insignificant." Ah, yes, our dear reader, now you understand...school?! Why do we have to know this worthless stuff!? Well, unless you enjoy sweeping horse dung at the local county fair, it is imperative that you learn all of this trivial material presented to you in high school...

but academics should not be viewed as worthless or trivial. It can be fun-it is true--learning can be both meaningful and enjoyable. It's really not the material/ information that is "boring"-- it's you, the learner, who's boring. Think about that next time you're in class daydreaming or sleeping. That horse manure is smelling pretty rotten, ain't it?



Look Left!: April Miner with a future Lowell High Schooler. Yet another "learning is fun" activity is the creativity writing class Children's books.

Lowell... Academically Speaking

Below: Senior Keith Roth at the computer in Room 108.



Some academic highlights here at Lowell High School for me include a few years ago a student's mother (who runs D.C.'s Country Junction, my second home) brought a baby monkey into my classroom. I love monkeys--especially baby monkeys in diapers--so this was truly a monumental day in my life as a teacher.

Perhaps the most profound student response, academically speaking, was the response I received this year from one Stanford Scott. We were exploring Michael Crichton's *The Andromeda Strain* in "Themes in Literature" and a rather simple assignment where the kids had to describe what an extraterrestrial might look/be like. His exact response was:

"Yes, I believe they're aliens, but they are mostly women."

My apologies to Mom and all the ladies, but that's a classic. Thanks Stan the Man, for your humor and enthusiasm. You are true classic.

-Mr. Bert Zamarripa



How's the view? Rachel Engels and Michelle Bates--two academically sound students--get a unique perspective of Lowell High School as they gaze down from upper C-pod. If you were ever enrolled at Lowell High School, you know all about "pods."



Mrs. Magley's Shakespeare class included the extremely fun Shakespeare Festival. Here's Jimmy Lentz and Cleta Sheaks.



Wyatt Earp wanna-be Abby Ellis in Humanities II class.

This year the choir department went from 3 classes a day to 5 classes a day allowing the choir program to grow. Starting the day off was Debutantes a freshmen all girls class. This class was a host of 54 girls. The next class was an all boys freshmen class that hosted 37 boys. Following the all boys class was LHS Chorale also an all girls class hosting 16 girls. After LHS Chorale you would find Mr. Anderson teaching the all girls show choir class of 28 girls. Ending the day was Premiere Distinction a coed showchoir of 21 girls and 22 guys. All together making the choir program consist of 178 students.

This year for the end of the year show, the choir program put on the annual Showcase only adding a twist and not having an actual theme. Other things that made this year's show great was the excellent scene design done by: Mrs. Blandford, the sound done by: Brandon Kincaid, Joe Meschede, Joe Goodrich, and Rubino's Music, the special lighting by: Corey Wietbrock, Kelvin Hastings, George Santos, and Midwest Companies, the Showcase Sensations who played all the live instruments: Sarah Straughen, Rachelle McNeiley, Joe Stefek, Jake Greagin, Shane Borst, David Dewes, Kyle Bird, Erik Dahl, Tim Kovarik, and Sandy Schoon. Also in this year's program was the Pop Medley Dancers: Debra Ballas, BJ Bechrich, Anneitta Blandford, Jennie Blandford, Ashlee Davis, Megan Doffin, Bethany Drwbaugh, Jessica Gray, Dan Hogge, Jessica Hubert, Courtney Lanham, Lauren Levin, Isaih Mercado, Chris Rosevear, and Genaro Santos. Last but definitley not least was the teaching and directing of Mr. Andy Anderson.

Below: Gena Ritsema sings When I consider a duet with not pictured Midy Hochmuth.





Left: Members of Premiere Distinction sing in combined formation with everyone.

Choir Showcase 2001

Premiere Distinction

Voice Male

LHS Chorale

Debutantes

Accents

This year Premiere Distinction had a chance to travel to Nashville, Tennesee to preform in America Sings. "A celebration of Song and Service" "To kids who feel they have no hope from kids with hope to share". It was a weekend trip all the students that went left early on a friday morning and returned on sunday evening. In order to go to America Sings Premiere Distinction had to learn the songs and choreography. Through out the weekend the group stayed at a hotel and traveled around Nashville on a coach bus. One of the days while in Nashville they had the chance to experience the Genral Jackson cruise. On the cruise they ate and then there was a DJ and dancing on the upper level. They also had a chance to go to a recording studio were people like Elvis Presley recorded songs. At the recording studio the group did a recording and saw all the work put into it. "It was a great experience and we all had a great time. It was only a couple days, but there were so many memories that I will not forget."-Junior Debra Ballas



Sara Bruce
Premiere Distinction

Erik Dahl
Premiere Distinction

Lauren Hopkins
Premiere Distinction

Linda Kiska
Premiere Distinction

Rachelle McNeiley
Accents

Katie Moldenhauer
Premiere Distinction

Christa Owens
Premiere Distinction

Emily Rosinko
Premiere Distinction

Beth Shelhart
Premiere Distinction

Meredith Christiansen
Debutantes

Brianne Dotson
Chorale

Christina Kincaid
Accents

James Lentz
Premiere Distinction

Nicole Meyers
Premiere Distinction

Jo Morris
Chorale

Kelly Quanstrom
Chorale

Cleta Sheaks
Premiere Distinction

Amanda Swank
Premiere Distinction

Good Bye Seniors 2001 You Will Be Missed!!

Left: Members of Voice Male can sure get it together as they show here.

Below: Junior Megan Schoon, part of the Premiere Distinction show choir, sings "Forget about the Blues"
with her two sisters Trisha and Becky.





Left: Courtney Lanham puts in her all while singing a number with the all girls showchoir Accents.

Lowell High School can be very joyful when it comes to its bands. Whether it's the trumpet, flute, french horn, drums or saxophone...the various Lowell Bands (freshmen band, jazz band, drums, marching band, symphonic band--it doesn't matter--they're all fantastic) had a solid year. Students involved with band should be beaming with pride. From pumping up the crowds at sporting events or simply joining band for the love of music, LHS students involved with band did a great job. Led by new band teacher Mr. Tim Kovarik, the various LHS bands reached new heights in excellence.





Drummer Andrea Marvel gives a big smile as the band gets the crowd pumped for the football game. Also pictured: Jason Gaspar, Kyle Bird, Alana Garton, and Mr. Bales (background with camera).

Lowell High School Band
and the band played on...

Below: Members of the LHS Band warm up.





The Lowell High School Marching Band at the annual Lowell Labor Day Festival.

Funny Moments...

The funniest moment regarding the Lowell High School band would have to be how they are poorly represented in the 2001 yearbook. You see, this being my 4th year as yearbook advisor and being very excited about this yearbook, I thought for sure that no page would, as I like to say-- "fall through the cracks." However, due to a lack of caring by some student who spent her school time complaining about her busy life and then spent her summer failing to fulfill a promise of coming in and finishing her work, these pages will be sub-par. Of course, a student involved with a sport or club will do a fantastic job on those pages. Most students will share my philosophy that ALL the pages assigned need to be completed with the utmost care and devotion--whether you are or are not involved with those pages. However, I have found that with any group or team there will always be a handful of people who simply do not care; 'tis life. They view their assigned yearbook pages as a math assignment that may be blown-off. So here I sit inside on this gorgeous summer day--along with a few other dedicated yearbook staffers--while that person is out eating eskimo pies and running through sprinklers. Little does that person know they let down their fellow yearbook staffers, they caused my hairline to recede just a tad more, and they insulted and disappointed the many LHS band members and their families.

However, as the yearbook staff as a team and I am the coach, I take full blame and responsibility for these pages. On behalf of the 2001 LHS Yearbook Staff, my sincerest apologies to our fine, new band teacher Mr. Kovarik and the LHS Band.



Wow! Here they are again--the Lowell Marching Band.

Right: Jimmy Lentz, the Russian Spy.

The Little Theater at LHS started out another year with another great production. Director Roger Hughes led an outstanding cast and crew through Phillip King's comedy See How They Run. This play is a story that takes place at the Vicarage in Merton-Cum-Middlewick, the home of Reverend Lionel Toop. Toop, played by senior David Dewes, has just recently married a former American actress, Penelope (sophomore Megan Doffin) who is not what the rest of the Church expects of a Vicar's wife. The young couple cope with the reserved yet hilarious antics of an ever-intruding, jealous Miss Skillon, delightfully portrayed by senior Rachelle McNeiley. The quirky spunk of the Vicarge is added whenever the saucy maid Ida, vivaciously played by senior Sarah Toce, graces the stage.

An old acting friend of Penelope's, actor turned soldier, Clive Winton (junior Tim Misiora) adds amusing wit to the night. Clive drops by to visit Penelope during the same afternoon that Penelope's uncle, the Bishop of Lax (junior Steve Yeagley), and a Reverend Arthur Humphrey (junior Anthony Shoun) arrive at the Vicarage for tomarrow's sermon. All is well until the reserved Miss Skillon becomes intoxicated, or "squiffy" as Ida would say. A Russian Spy, played by senior Jimmy Lentz, finds himself in the middle of "Capers in the Garden" as he joins along in the chasing that goes on through the house. Next, the spy attacks and steals the clothes of Toop. As Penelope lends one of Toop's suits to Clive, mass confusion becomes the scene. With three men dressed as vicors, and one vicor in his boxers, everyone's identity is mistaken and the stage becomes more and more hilarious. The identity situation is examined angrily by Sergeant Towers (junior Nick Colom), but is finally straightened out when Clive and Ida collaborate on a scheme to trigger the Russian to attempt "the revolution!"

--Michelle Bates

Below: Michelle Bates--the stage manager--had fun with the play with year.



Capers and Drunken Parishoners



Cast List:

Ida.....Sarah Tocc
Miss Skillon.....Rachelle McNeiley
Rev. Lionel Toop.....David Dewes
Penelope.....Megan Doffin
Clive Winton.....Tim Misiora
Willie Briggs.....Mike Stoner
Russian Spy.....Jimmy Lentz
Bishop of Lax.....Steve Yeagley
Rev. Arthur Humphrey.....Athony Shoun
Sgt. Towers.....Nick Colom

Production Staff:

Director.....Roger Hughes
Student Directors.....Ashley Comstock
Janet Snyder
Costumes.....Katie Eich
Props.....Amber Corey
Lights & Intermission Music..Nathan Kubeck
Stage Manager.....Michelle Bates
Sound Effects.....Janet Snyder
Set Construction.....David Dewes,
Elysa Rust, Roxann Poor,
Phebe Crabb, Janet Snyder,
Katie Eich, Tim Misiora,
Steve Yeagley, Rachelle McNeiley,
Maggie Hardwick, Beth Benecki,
Ashley Comstock, Michelle Bates,
Anthony Shoun

"One Who Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest"

Throughout the practices and rehearsals, the cast and crew experienced a great number of losses with the cast members.

When that happens you have to have a strong cast, in this case the cast was indeed strong .

This play displayed a lot of new talent that made the play a triumph. The new commers were *senior* Jason Angus, *juniors:* Josh Razavi, Lyle Crabb, Nathan Kubek, Zach Wright *sophomores:* Mike Vitoux, Sarah Straughen, Roxan Poor, and *freshmen:* Amber Corey, and Jordan Graegin. Director Roger Hughes did a wonderful job bringing the play to life by building a realistic set, sound, and character.



Left: Danielle Stovall helps Jason Angus put on his stage make-up.

Below: Sarah Straughen, Zach Wright, and Jordan Graegin await their que to come out on stage.





Left: Kevin Bourgeois and Zak Duncan show there is much love on the cast. Kevin and Zak were working the lights for the show.



Above: Jimmy Lentz and Amber Corey aka: the cronic twins. show much anticipation as they get ready to perform.

Seniors Say their good-bys: Rachelle McNeiley and Jimmy Lentz are the only seniors that have been in the last five plays together.

First I want to thank Rachelle McNeiley, she's been like a sister to me! Without her the traditions wouldn't have stayed alive. Sarah Tocc, what can I say, you will always be my Madonna and I will always be your Rupert. To Megan Doffin, I will always remember how we were pleather twins in Godspell, and I know I will meet up with you again on Broadway! Ashley Comstock, you are very sweet and talented, I could see a lead role for you next year. I will also remember how we were sister and brother in Flowers for Algernon. To the people that I also performed with including Beth Shelhart, Anthony Shoun, Danielle Stovall, Beth Benecki, Josh Razavi, Janet Snyder, and Steve Yeagley. I wanted to thank all of you for making the plays enjoyable and no matter how bad we were doing, you guys always found away to make me smile. Thank you from the bottom of my heart. Finally Amber Corey, Buddy Blue will always love Rainbow Brite. (inside joke!) To all the people who want to join drama, if you have passion for acting use those feelings and you will be the best actor/actress you could be. If you are as lucky as myself you will have the most talented director in the whole world, Mr. Roger Hughes!

~Jimmy Lentz~



Above: Candy Starr played by Megan Doffin and Freddie played by Jimmy Lentz take a break while still in character.

Just a little note to say good bye, to the one's who have made me laugh, and the one's who have made me cry. To Amber, I'll always be grateful for all that you do. You give me comfort knowing the things that used to rest on my shoulders, are now on yours. To Megan, thanks for always smiling, keeping life full of smiling suns and clouds that look like they're full of gum drops. To Ashley, keep on acting, the more you do the better you become. You have improved so much! You're one person I'm going to miss talking to. You were always there when I needed you, and I hope this will be a hint of my gratitude.

To Steven, I give you strength to overcome your own mind. To Jordan, child what can I say to you? Stay out of trouble! Expecially if you hope to continue in acting. I wish you the best of luck! To Zack, we'll always have the doctor's office! To big Josh, I'm glad we've become friends and there is such a thing as slow, sultry latin. To Sarah, I can't picture anyone who could do a better Nurse Flynn. I'm sorry though for getting you sick before showtime! To Janet, I still think you played Martini too well! To Beth and Roxann, stay out of each other's hair and be nice to others, play well! To Tim, what can i say but congratulations? Keep with acting, you've got a certain knock for it. To Danielle, don't fight over Nick with Janet and Beth, just joking! Thank you for all the help you provided!

To everyone, thank you for making theatre an experience that I want to remember. Keep reaching for more, even when you think you're at the top, there's still more you can achieve. We were all blessed by getting to work with Roger Hughes and I congratulate you for completing a hard and tedious task. Thank you for everything, I'm not going to say I'll come back, but only that I'll try. Thank you!

~Rachelle McNeiley~

Fine Arts "Power of the Soul"

Can you imagine life without football? Here in Lowell, Indiana, probably not. Can you imagine life without art? In the real world, art has had a profound impact on the lives of human beings. Art and anything associated with it may not be very high on the list of priorities in a high school, but most would agree that it is of the utmost importance in terms of human reflection and enjoyment. While football and other sporting events enriches the ideals of teamwork, makes the body strong and provides entertainment for the community, art and creative expression enriches the mind and most importantly--the spirit and soul.

Mr. Tom Sufana and Miss Susan Thomas head the art department here at Lowell High School (and when it comes to "fine" arts, we should mention Mr. Andy Anderson of the Choir Department and Mr. Kavarik of the Band, too). They inspire the creative juices of students to come out. They encourage students to place their hearts and ideas on paper or palette and to mold their hopes and dreams with clay or paints.



Smiley Kristen Daugherty stands next to her award-winning sketching of a little kid opening his box of crayons.



Dan Blastovich works on a loom.



Left: Sheena Holder getting her art supplies ready.

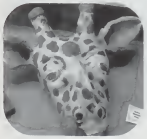
Below: Obviously, students make tons of art during the course of a school year. Here are a few samples, with the artist name next to his/her project:



Erin Viers



Jennifer Stokes



Beth Shelhart



Kevin Bourgoius



Senior Jessica Pierce in the art room.

•*Favorite Service Projects:* "The Dunes because we helped the environment and had a lot of fun."--Anthony Panozzo• "Running the NHS

National Honor Society

Scholarship, Service, Leadership, Character, and Citizenship. These are the five qualities that represent all that the National Honor Socity stands for. This year has proved to be no different in the way NHS has tried to fulfill these characteristics. The year opened with the induction of approximately 27 new members. As vice-president Emily Rosinko could not attend the event, she swore the new members in "via satellite" (actually, all we did was video tape her in the AV room). We then had to participate in the ever-exciting Spirit Week activities, by decorating "floats" and presenting them during a pep rally. Ours, of course, looked stunning, with Jen Stokes having taken the lead in generously donating her artistic talents to help create a float that was worthy of the third-place prize. Christmas time was made more memorable for countless children, who were helped through Angel Tree. Lowell High School demonstrated its generosity so that NHS members could buy and wrap gifts for needy families. These were not the only individuals that were helped by NHS. We participated in the St. Jude Trivia Quiz, where money is raised and our members take part in a 300 question test that tests our knowlege of various useless facts (many of which that are from the '80's). Our help was also used for the induction ceremony of our junior chapter, along with a very thorough clean-up of the Dunes.

--Rachel Engels



St. Jude's Trivia Quiz challenged the minds of many of this year's senior members. It's a good thing we had pizza to help us think better.



Here are some of the new members being inducted at this year's ceremony. (Notice Emily in the far left corner via "satellite"). This was the beginning of a year of accomplishment.



The cake and punch served after the ceremony are obviously being enjoyed by Sean Anderson, who shares the induction ceremony with family and friends.

garbage: "Used condomes, used pads. GROSS!"--Meredith Cusic• "Umm. . .Let's just say that people have sex in some weird places."--Jen Pillar• "Shaggy doll."--Nick Sciac•k

off a sense of accomplishment. Seeing how well everyone is doing shows that success is possible."--Nikki St.Clair•*Most unusual piece of*

booth at Freshman FUNdamentals, because I met freshman and got some numbers."--Dave Kuiper• "The Angel Tree project, because children mean the world to me and especially during Christmas I was glad to be able to put a smile on their faces."--Christ Owens• *Memories from induction:* "I got to serve the punch with one of those scoopy spoons and it was fun."--Chrissy Grabinski• "I got to escort Sarah Bult"--Jason Angus• "I think the induction gives



2000-2001 NHS President Rachel Engles and 2001-2002 President Nick Sciackitano



Rachel Engels: President

What was the most memorable moment from the induction ceremony?
Well, considering no one tripped coming down the stairs and the candles did not light anyone's hair on fire, Emily's swearing in was absolutely stunning.



Emily Rosinko: Vice-President

What was the most unusual piece of garbage collected from the Dunes?
Ha! The condom wrappers were pretty funny. The action figure buried in the sand was a great find, as well.



Jennifer Stokes: Secretary

What was your favorite service project? Why?
The float for spirit week because I got to show off Cornelius (my now non-existant monkey).



Andy Rucker: Treasurer



The members (although all not pictured): Seniors Michelle Bates, Jason Angus, James Dickinson, Rachel Engels, Chrissy Grabiniski, Jeff Kriske, David Kuiper, Andrea Marvel, Christa Owens, Emily Rosinko, Andy Rucker, Stephanie Schulfer, Eva Slinn, Courtney Schuttrow, Nikki St. Clair, Jennifer Stokes, Rachel Zilai. Juniors Sean Anderson, Michelle Biederstadt, Sarah Bult, Jason Butchart, Stephanie Butler, Jessica Cooper, Katrina Csepiga, Meredith Cusic, Dan Fisher, Alana Garton, Eric Holley, Jessica Hubert, Shylah Hulsey, Rachel Huseman, Jennifer Lichtle, Ryan Martin, Ann Mlynarczyk, Anthony Panozzo, Jenifer Pillar, Heather Rosenwinkel, Steve Rust, Megan Schoon, Nick Sciackitano, Sarah Thompson, Andy Vassar

Smile!

Unfortunately, the "smiley spread" has become a recent tradition in the *Lowellian*. It is due to a student or two who chose not to care enough to complete pages. These two pages should be dedicated to the student council. Ironically, the student who originally was supposed to complete these pages quit student council, too. However, this is the smiley spread, so we will dedicate these pages to student council and the tremendous amount they do for the school, to all those past and present people who were left out of the yearbook thanks to the laziness and inconsideration of the yearbook staff, and to general happiness and well-being. So smile! because in the end, the happy people always win.



Always smiley Jimmy Lentz.

Jessica Wellman--otherwise known as "Awesome"--happily types an assignment.



Erin Viers (in tree), Beth Weeks and Kristen Daugherty happily frolic at the Dunes.

Holli Schaffner, Kara Hanney, Angela Ponziano, and Nikki Clinton all smile for the camera.



Mrs. Lutgen flashes a smile toward the camera despite the constant complaining about lunch from whiny, unappreciative students.

When it comes to homework and good grades, Bill Mitchell is always smilin'.





Student Council member Beth Shelhart



Stephanie Schulfer



Rachel Stewart (who was sad over the senior picture mix-up--We hope this makes you happy!)



Mrs. Sarah Harger, Student Council Sponsor

Could you please smile, Emily Rosinko?





Look at the bright smiles from these students!

J.E.T.S.

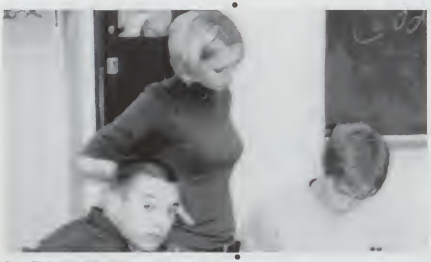
The competition of JETS took place on Monday, November 20th at Purdue University Calumet. There were a total of 20 teams from 11 different high schools. They traveled from both Lake and Porter counties. The competition itself is called TEAMS (Tests of Engineering Aptitude, Mathematics and Science) but JETS, which stands for Junior Engineering Technical Society, sponsor it in part with several other Engineering societies in the county.

The article in the Post-Tribune describes the test itself as a combination of math, science, and practical constraints. The students work in groups and were allowed to use research, calculators, notes, and books. There are two parts to the test; the first part contains multiple choice and the second deals with detailed calculations. The first part helps to decide the state competition winners, while the second part helps to decide the national winners.

"Each school's team can have up to eight members," Mr. Ouwenga states. He goes on to explain that Lowell High School members are chosen by nominations of the student's science and math teachers. The teachers are of upper level math and science classes. This year's team consisted of seniors Zach Baiel, Joe Stefek, Jeff Kriske and Vince Wagner. The juniors were Dan Fisher, Jessica Hubert, Eric Holley and Katrina Csepiga.

The team together had to receive placing better than last year's 3rd place victory, but was unsuccessful. They were unable to find out the exact place they finished in because they do not announce placing after 3rd.

Although this year's team did not gain a place, they still have a lot to be proud of. Zach Baiel stated, "that it was a great learning experience." He also has some words of wisdom: "just make sure if Mr. Ouwenga gives you that letter inviting you to participate in this competition, consider it an honor and take part in it!"



Dan Fisher and Jesse Hubert are solving one of the challenging problems while Eric Holley takes a picture break.



Katrina Csepiga and Joe Stefek are working on the calculation questions.



Here Zach Baiel, Jeff Kriske and Vince Wagner are using their combined knowledge to solve one of the puzzling questions.



Were there any funny moments during competition?
Zach Baiel: *I guess one of our write-ups was kind of funny because we some how managed to involve a flux capacitor and the melting of steel.*



What is one of the great things about JETS?
Mr. Ouwenga: *It is very popular in some areas and some schools get sponsors to offer nice rewards and even scholarships for good results.*



Is there anything that you would like to say about JETS?
Katrina Csepiga: *It's a good experience and a nice chance to meet kids you normally wouldn't see or hang out with, kids other than athletes.*



Would you compete in JETS again?
Dan Fisher: *"When you're a JET, you're a JET from you first cigarette to your last dying day"-West Side Story.*



Together as a team the 2001 JETS team works out the first part of multiple choice.

Espanol Club

Whether you are guessing on the color of Miss Allen's hair or planning and executing a Cinco de Mayo bash; foreign language clubs are fun for all. Due, in part, to the lack of student interest though, the 2000-2001 school year has only produced one foreign language club, Spanish, but has done so successfully.

Spanish club, headed up by Senora Ryser, consists of students ranging from, "I have no idea what you are saying" spanish I to," Estoy un espanol hablando genial"(roughly translated: I am a spanish speaking genius), spanish II,III, and IV. The group has various parties and celebrations ranging from King's Day party and Tropical Day to Valentine's Day and Cinco de Mayo. Though French Club is nonexistent this year; Miss Allen has made plans to travel to Bon Appetit, a French Restaurante, The Art Museum of Chicago, as well as the Voyage of the Voyageur. "Foreign Languages are not only a much needed class, but they are also a great learning experience that opens our minds and eyes to new cultures and people in the world", a very true saying from Laura Norton. Foreign language is an irreplacable learning experience that can only be enhanced by joining the foreign language clubs.

~Kristen Daugherty



Miss Allen is seen hanging out with all her friends. She is the pseudo French Club sponsor if, in fact, there was one.



"Taking Spanish in school is the learning part, being in Spanish Club is the fun part that you know you'll never forget" -- Christina Kincaid



Here Britanny Cellarius peeps over the crowd to to proclaim her love for Spanish Club. She was an integral part of Spanish Club as well as soccer thi year.

Yes(our club does enough as far as field trips and after school activities)with after school and no with field trips because we haven't been on one yet"

● "We would really like to go places and experience Mr. Ranchito, get the real affect!--Anonymous "Spanish is FUN"-

"Probably not(continue to study Spanish) but I don't know if my career needs it" --Jessica Barker ● "Having Fiesta!(most memorable)



These lovely Valetine Cards were created by the Spanish Club to celebrate Valentines Day. Gee, you can see the love in this room.



Andy Rucker, President



Nikki St.Clair, Vice President



Steven Yeagley, Secretary



Katie Eich, Treasurer



The members of the Spanish club include: Katie Eich, Andy Rucker, Nikki St. Clair, Steve Yeagley, Jason Angus, Jessica Barker (pictured above), Michelle Biederstadt, Britanny Cellarius, Chris Drazba, Peyton Finley, Stephanie Garner, Nicole Haupert, Christina Kincaid, Jessica Luttrell, Caroline Parilac, and Rebecca Parilac.

--Rebecca Parilac ● "Being able to make salsa and bringing it in to have the class eat it(most memorable moment)" --Chris Drazba ● "Yes it is pretty decent" --Tim McHugh

"I think foreign language in general has benefitted me, but I don't plan on going any further with French or Spanish--, Erin Viers

Special Spring Fling Dance, when Santa Claus and The Grinch came in for Christmas for them and they got presents. "Special Ed Students"

Color/WinterGuard

The Color/ Winter Guard 2000-2001 made it to Regionals this year. Color Guard is a group of girls that spin flags with music. Winter Guard spin to music and they're on their own. Beth Beneki said, "The most memorable moment of this year was going to BOA at BWZ in Indianapolis when we sat in the window and made faces at people." Tara Zimmerman said, "Even though we didn't get first place this year, we still had a lot of fun during practice and a t our competitions. We had a new instructor, Alicia Stefek this year who really is going to help the guard back to where we used to be (like winning state)." Good Luck Girls!!! --Hania Nammari

The Senior Girls; Nicole Rowley, Rachelle McNeiley, and Tara Zimmerman pose for the camera.

The Color/Winter Guard at halftime at the Lowell High School's football game.



Seniors Nicole Rowley and Tara Zimmerman show enthusiasm in there sport Winter Guard.

State Preliminaries at Center Grove H.S. in Indy.



Freshman Amanda Hardwick shows perfect stances while concentrating on the routine.



Nicole Stansberry is a Sophomore and this is first year in Winter Guard even though her first year she will be a definite asset to the future of Winter Guard.



Front Row- Tara Zimmerman, Nicole Rowley, Rachelle McNeiley, Desiree Wilson, Amanda Hardwick.
Back Row- Coach Alicia Stefek, Jackie Kirkland, Nicole Stransberry, Jeaneete Pitmann, and Sarah Straughen.

Mentally Handicapped Special Needs students and thought it was a fun learning experience. They are very well-behaved." Hania Nammari"

Practical Learning

Those of us who work with Special Education students find our job to be both rewarding and challenging. We enjoy their giving nature and their great sense of humor. We find it very fulfilling to work kids who are so accepting and eager to learn. We also feel a huge responsibility to ensure that they reach their full potential. This is achieved by including them in general education classes which allows them to experience age appropriate social skills. Our job requires compassion, patience, and understanding, but it also brings so many fulfillments to our lives.

-Practical Education Teachers



Johnna Nolan and Derrick Luker show there awards for Volleball's Special Olympics.



The kids all dressesd up for their Special Spring Fling 2001. It was sponsored by Lowell Student Council Members. They all had a GREAT TIME.



Back Row- Miss Shelley, Chris, Dustin, Jamee, Johnna, Julie, Kevin, Nicole, Miss Debbie, Miss Robbie, Miss Penny, and Sara. Front Row- Colette, Matthew, Kim, Derrick, and Alsion. They all went to the Country Line Orchard this year.



The Pines a skiing place in Valpo. Left- Teacher Miss Shelley, Nicole, Chris, Jamee, Kevin, Derrick, Julie, Kim,and Dustin.

Unplugged Club

The Unplugged Club is a Wednesday afterschool jam session. Acoustic guitars players are the norm, but every once in a while you'll walk by or through the musical montage and be delightfully suprised by the sound of a bango or an unplugged electric. Student guitarists provide a random soundtrack for the nearby teachers staying after.

Unplugged members gather in Mr. Peterson's room to help each other learn and improve their skills. It is a comfortable learning and sharing environment. The only requirements of being a member are that you 1. need a guitar or access to one, and 2. you need to have the desire to have fun.

--Michelle Bates



Erik Dahl, who will be attending Berkley College of Music in Boston, plays his acoustic with confidence.

1. Mr. Peterson plays along with Carl Poppe, both are partial to classic rock. 2. Nick Travis questions one of Nick Dmitrovich's suggestions. Hey kid, this is a sharing kind of club. 3. Karl Poppe takes time out to organize and reflect over his progress. 4. Erik Dahl notices that the ride to school this morning tweaked the tuning on his guitar. But don't worry, he's got it under control.





Looks like Nick Dmitrovich is a little uncertain aboutwhich chord he was aiming for.


MY BUCKET
YOUR MOM

Special Olympics 2000-2001

"Let me win, but if I cannot win, let me brave in the attempt."

When it comes down to it, all that seems to matter, is a positive attidue, having fun, and a belief in yourself as well as your team members. Lowell's 2000-2001 Special Olympics team has all of theses qualities wrapped up into one when they participate in a sport. With the sport of Volleyball the team's record finished with 6-2 and they traveled to Ball State University bringing home the 3rd state title. Bowling allowed Matt McCann to travel on to State competition, where he came in 6th. Winter allowed the team to go to State Winter Games at Paoli Peaks in Indiana, where Anna Tomko and Derrick Luker won gold medals. There were two teams of basketball this year Red Devils and Red Devils too. The teams went to Valpo for sectionals and their final record was 2-8. On May 12th 2001, area track and field was held at Valpo High School with our own team of runners. Just recently the Special Olympics team returned from state games at Indiana State University in Terre Haute with medals. The team competed in gymnastics, basketball, track & field, and bowling. Their accomplishments should be recognized. "Special Olympics is a wonderful way for young people to participate and excel in sports. The athletes all respect each other and grow as a unit. I am proud of our athletes and of our program." ---Lori Brown-Runyon. Congratulations and keep up the awared winning attitudes. Special Olympics Lowell Highschool is proud of you. Good luck next year.
----Kelly Quanstrom

Coaches:
Lori Brow-Runyon
Mitchel Runyon
Katie Moldenhauer
Kathy Midkiff



Coach Katie Moldenhauer smiles proudly with some of her team Chris Neff, Johnna Nolan, and Derrick Luker.

Team Members

Volleyball:
Andy Bult
Marie Evans
Daniel Lang
Derrick Luker
Matt McCann
Johnna Nolan
Anna Tomko
Amanda Watson

Track & Field:
Marie Evans
Daniel Lang
Derrick Luker
Johanna Nolan
Anna Tomko

Basketball:
Andy Bult
Marie Evans
Joey Jacobs
Dustin Kartuska
Daniel Lang
Derrick Lucker
Kim McGraw
Ed Mcullen
John Naglosky
Johnna Nolan
Nicole Rugerri
Kevin Thomas
Anna Tomko

Bowling:
Daniel Lang
Matt McCann
Chris Neff
Sara Peterson
Anna Tomko

Gymnastics:
Marie Evans
Sara Peterson
Amanda Robbins
Jamee Tausch
Julie Tausch



Derreck Luckert gets in ready position to ski down the slope. Looks like he's got the Olympic award winning attitude.



Julie Tausch, Marie Evans, Jaimie Tausch, Amanda Watson, and Sara Peterson pose for the camera in their stunning gymnastic outfits.

Media/Library/ Audio Visual

Compliments of Mr. Bill Gresh, Ms. Sandy Berg, and Ms. Glenda Hoots, students have access to all their researching needs during their educational journey, while teachers are provided with the many tools they need in their classroom--tools such as ELMO, V.C.R.'s, music players, overhead projecters, et cetera. They also do a great deal for the morning announcements, and they prepare the daily Channel One broadcast.

With regards to the Media Club, a gigantic THANK YOU for the under-appreciated students who often broadcasted and prepared for the morning announcements (Jason Nichols, Merideth Christiansen, Daniel Lang, Danielle Stovall, Shannon Summers, Abra Smith, Nate and Dave, Andy Rucker, Adam French, Eric and Alan Duttlinger, and anyone I missed--sorry). While all the "cool" kids may have been laughing at you while you were reading, at least you had the courage and the spirit to do this tedious task. You did not have the glory of scoring a touchdown, but you had the character to truly give it your best. You are all greatly appreciated.



Andy Rucker has been a fixture in the A.V. room during his time at Lowell High school.



Mr. Gresh and Ms. Berg



Members of the F.C.A. broadcasted the morning announcements on Tuesday while Student Council had a regular spot on Thursday. Here is freshman Student Council member Luke Reed who always read with enthusiasm.



Often confused Mr. Charpentier, the Media Club sponsor, spent many days and evenings pondering who will read the next day. The usual result was getting Jason Nichols to do it for a slab of beef jerkey.



Go figure--there's old Andy Rucker again in the A.V. Room. He is on the computer and considering his smile, he's found something entertaining. (from left to right) Mr. Gresh, Adam French, and Ms. Hoots are keeping Andy company.

with Dave Dewes."--Jen Stokes•*Interesting moments:* "At state, Andrea, Rachel, Jen and I found a PH in our bathroom"--Emily Rosinko. •

The Academic Teams

Take a couple of tests. Write an essay. Give a speech. Get interviewed. Take a couple of more tests. Sounds pretty exciting, eh? Contrary to what one might think, there is something exiciting in being a member of the Academic Teams. While the beginning described only the ever rigorous Decathlon, Spellbowl and Superbowl are equally challenging. This year's academic team has much to celebrate about, considering this was their most successful year. The Decathlon team even went so far as to enter State in the first place position for all of Indiana. Much to the team's disappointment, however, the victory went to Tri-West, a school that somehow always wins (This writer finds that a tad bit suspicious and concludes that something must indeed be amiss). Despite returning to Lowell as less than State champions, the team certainly has much to be proud of. Andy Rucker finished with the most points in his division and came home weighed down with State medals. He was not the only one, however, as Rachel Engels, Emily Rosinko, David Dewes, and Janet Snyder were also awarded for their hard work. The Spellbowl team had a great year, as well, finishing in third at their regional competition (This is a tremendous improvement over last year's last place team). The Superbowl teams were even more successful, with much support given to the various subjects. Although no one advanced to state, all of the teams did extremely well, especially at the regional competition where Lowell finished in first place.



Jason Angus, Zach Baiel, Aaron Barcus, Joe Stefek, and Mike Arlen constitute the Science/Mathletes of Lowell for the Superbowl competitions.



Beginning our long, arduous journey to Indy, the Decathlon team of course left victorious from the Kankakee Valley Invitational.



Chrissy Grabinski, Andrea Marvel, Emily Rosinko, and Christina Lutgen
are reveling in their second place glory, all the while thinking "I hate Tri-West."

and was cramped."--Aaron Barcus• "Merrillville. The bleachers are uncomfortable and the food was not appetizing." Nikki St. Clair•*Favorite Moments:* "My intimate bus ride home & faculty) are to simple minded" --Adam Erpelding (who spelled "to" wrong)•*Least Favorite Place to Compete:* "River Forest. It smelled funny

"When Emily and Chris did a fabulous choir dance, I laughed harder than ever. I couldn't breathe and someone almost had to call EMS." --Jessica Cooper•*Most harrowing experience*:Nightmares of having to bail Chris Rosevear and Nick Sciackitano out of jail while down in Indy."-- Mrs. Iussig•"When I found out I had a purpose in life--to please Gianotti."--Vince Wagner•*Would you recommend others to join the team?*:"No, because the vast majority of students



Nick Sciackitano is very accurately expressing his disgust with the lack of competition he faces in Decathlon and Superbowl (or maybe he's just sick of studying for these events, seeing as it's tough to be an alternate).



Joe Gianotti: Team Director

What was your most memorable experience on the team?
Watching the decathlon regional scores come in and seeing "Lowell" at the top.



Rachel Engels: Team Captain

What was your favorite hotel moment?
Julie, my friend that came to support the team, and I had a pretty intense chicken fight. She thought that I would be really easy to intimidate, however I thoroughly dominated her.



Emily Rosinko: Team Captain

What would you have done in Alaska if the Decathlon team had won at State?
Catch a grizzly bear, force it to let me ride on its back into Anchorage carrying a sign that says "Spensive" while listening to "Bluebird Song."



Andy Rucker: Team Captain

Who was your most challenging opponent? Why?
Tri-West. Why? I mean, c'mon, they've won state a gazillion times in a row!!



Front Row: Jennifer Stokes, Rachel Engels, Shelley Vandercar, Andrea Marvel, Ashley Foster, Stephanie Schulfer, Beth Benecki, Denita Weeks, Janet Snyder *Back Row:* Anthony Panozzo, Nikki St. Clair, Jessica Cooper, Jenifer Pillar, Meredith Cusic, Dave Dewes *Not Pictured:* Jason Angus, Mike Arlen, Zach Baiel, Aaron Barcus, Michele Biederstadt, Beth Curtis, Adam Erpelding, Chrissy Grabinski, Gina Hathaway, Christina Lutgen, Peter Martin, Steve Naddy, Lyndsay Peddy, Sarah Perfetti, Jesica Pillar, Kristen Pritchard, Chris Rosevear, Emily Rosinko, Andy Rucker, Nick Sciackitano, Joe Stefek, Mat Storey, Sarah Thompson, Caroline Vaandrager, Vince Wagner, Andrew Wingate

Results of Decathlon Surveys

What was your favorite new term we picked up?

1. Spensive
2. PH
3. Roseveared

Who was your favorite non-team member but supporter?

1. T. J. Engels (fomer team member)
2. Julie Atkinson (friend of Rachel)
3. Barb Engels (master bus pranker)

an exigent experience. It's grown in both numbers and maturity as far as the lessons are concerned. Andrea Marvel ●

FCA

This year's FCA was a little different than the years before. Part of the difference is due to a whole new group of leaders. These leaders had to apply last year and go through an interview process. They were then chosen by Mr. Anderson and Mr. Birmingham. All eight who applied were admitted. These leaders have to prepare Bible studies for the Wednesday morning meetings. All of the leaders have attempted to give their lessons on topics that interest teenagers. Some studies have been on music, beauty, sex, and judgement. Even though FCA meets at 7:00 a.m., they have had some great turnouts. FCA began their year off by participating in the nationwide "See You At the Pole." Our school, along with many other schools throughout the nation, gathered around the flagpole and prayed for the well-being of our country and school. The new leaders brought fresh ideas and attempted to change some things. On a few different occasions, the group prayed outside the fishbowl. The leaders also went on the morning announcements for a week to promote FCA. Our group does not only meet at school. They are hoping to take a trip to King's Island in the summer. While there the FCA would get the chance to attend many different Christian concerts. They also hope to break off into other groups and study the Bible more in-depth. Everyone has been so impressed with the turnout this year, and hope to grow in the future.

~Shelley Vandercar



Liz DeVona is participating in a quick break from the Bible lesson. The leaders try to play a variety of games to keep the members interested and the meetings exciting.



(Left to right): Mrs. Midkiff, Andy Vassar, Justin Bales, and Mike Stoner are gathered outside the famous fish bowl finishing the meeting with the closing prayer.



Jenny Kern and Andrea Marvel (President) enjoy donuts and juice before the meeting while greeting each other in Christian fellowship.

productive and vital part of the students' lives at LHS. Mr. Birmingham ● We had all new leaders this year, but everything still ran smoothly. Justin Bales ● FCA is such

It was great to see Mr. Anderson and his dedication maintain the group and give them direction. With his leadership the FCA will be a

My favorite part of FFA was watching Mr. Garling run around like a chicken with his head cut off the night before the hog roast. Chris Orange

FFA

Future Farmers of America, or FFA, is a great learning experience for high school students. Led by Mr. Garling these kids learn many positive characteristics which will benefit them and the rest of society. Students learn leadership skills, responsibility, and how to be a good role model. At the beginning of the year FFA members went to an elementary school and read to young children. Throughout the year many members participated in various livestock competitions. The biggest event held by the FFA is the annual hog roast. On February 23 many students and faculty enjoyed the delicious meal prepared by FFA. A lot of planning goes into the hog roast. It is a very stressful time for the members and Mr. Garling, but in the end the day was a success. Many people believe that FFA is only about farming, but in reality it teaches students a whole lot more that they will be able to use in everyday life.

~Shelley Vandercar

FFA has taught me how to breed cattle. Zack Heine • FFA President Eric Duttlinger; Vice-President Tom Mitsch; Secretary Shylah Hulsey; Treasurer Christi Bult; Sentinel Sean Clark; Reporter Alan Duttlinger; Sponsor Mr. Rich Garling. The motto for this year is FFA makes a positive difference.



Eric Carlson, Joe Scheive, and Doug Parker mix the pork they are about to serve. FFA members stayed up late the night before cooking the pig.



Chris George enjoys a drink while chatting with his friends. Many students were invited to come and dine.



Treasurer Christi Bult and Sentinel Sean Clark fill the cups with ice for the guests. FFA members poured drinks and served food.



Here the sponsor of FFA, Mr. Garling, enjoys the day. He has a lot to be proud of after all the planning.



left to right Mr. Garling, D. Parker, A. French, B. Woodworth, D. Moyer, C. Wietbrock, N. Galliher, Z. Heine, A. Wendall, C. Orange, C. Schmelter, D. Meyers, S. Mitsch, J. Penman, E. Carlson, B. Kincaid, T. Mitsch, A. Duttlinger, S. Hulsey, S. Clark, E. Duttlinger

The Lowell Red Devils

Academics are the "brains" of the institutional being known as high school. Thus, athletics are the heart and the soul of a high school. While academic achievement is usually on an individual basis, sporting achievement is a result of the efforts of a TEAM (and a good coach usually helps, too). Not only that, athletic achievement boosts school spirit, which spreads to the spirit of the community. And the community of Lowell--and its spirit--has a great deal to be proud of--this will be shown on the following pages.

What does it mean to be a "Red Devil"? one might wonder. One that always wins? Not necessarily. One that always gives it the best he or she has got? Yes, definitely. Giving 100% may not always result in a victory, but it does result in building one's character, making one stronger, and being a well-rounded individual. Lowell High School is proud of its fantastic coaches, athletic trainers (and Mr. Lindsey), the athletic department (Ms. Denton, Assistant AD Miss McCormick, Athletic Director Mr. Bales), but above all and most importantly--its student-athletes. Lowell High School has produced some of the best student-athletes and will continue to do so. Being a Red Devil is an achievement in itself. It's good to wear red and black.



Champion Christi Brill and Coach Gianotti



Merideth Cusic



Nick Runyon



Left: Cheering on the Red Devils at a pep ralley.

a The future of the Red Devil football team

b The future of the Red Devil volleyball team--Lisa Schulfer

c Steve Maloney and Coach Scott Coil. The future looks pretty bright for the boys' soccer team, too!



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d The mighty LHS marching band. They--along with flags, poms, and the cheerleaders--got the spirit of the Red Devils flowing.

e The sign says it all.

f Successful runner Tristen Martin. He graduated this year.



Tara Zimmerman of the LHS Flags walking behind the banner at a parade.



Ms. Karla Denton

A tribute defintely needs to go out to Ms. Denton, the athletic secretary. Teamed with Mr. Bales, these two may be the hardest working duo in the school. The result is one of the best athletic programs in the area.



Bill Mitchell



Jason Harper



George Politakis



Being a "Red Devil" means having spirit and enthusiasm, class and a solid work ethic, being a good sport win or lose, and being an overall great citizen with character. Erik Decker, pumping up the crowd, epitomizes all of these qualities.

Let's Play Golf!!

This year's girls golf team had what The Lowell Tribune stated "a Cinderella season". Going into the season, the girls had no idea what they were in for. Little did they know, the girls would experience,with Mr. Becker, the best regular season record of 16-6. The team took third place in Sectionals, beating out Merrillville, Andrean, Rensselaer, and Kankakee Valley. Not only did the girls varsity team get out of Sectionals for the first time in over 15 years, but they set a school record of 400 for a 18 hole match. Golf scoring goes by the lowest score a team has, so it takes a lot of pratice to get it right. The girls had spent a tremendous amount of time on the home course of Palmiera during the summer, starting the season July 28th and starting matches August 4th.

The team itself was the closest it has been in a long time. Pulling together at Sectionals really showed how close they really were. The team beat Merrillville by a mere two strokes. Each girl brought individual characteristics to the team. Not just one person lead the team during matches. This year the team had 4 medalist winners, Meghan Steuer, Jess Lukasik, Jenn Jansky and Jenny Kleefisch. Being a medalist means that the girls received the lowest score in the match.

The best part of golf other than the game itself were the bus rides. Having to to drive to every home and away match gave the girls a great amout of time to bond. It is tough to determine the best bus trip which ranged from the time after they lost to Chesterton, to after they had the "Arby's Experience."

One thing about this team is for sure, without the team being as close and focused, and without a great golf coach, the girls could not have done as well as they did.

-Jenny Kleefisch









Question: Who had the most spirit?
Johanna Hess: Jenn Jansky (look at her bag!!!)



Question: How did you feel after the putting/ chipping game?
Jess Lukasik: I was mad at Mr. Becker because he always threw my ball far.



Question: What was the best bus trip?
Jenn Jansky: The way home from Chersterton when Mr. Becker tried to kill us.



a. Once again Mr. Becker talks to the team about the upcoming match. This was the meeting spot for the team before every pratice and match. Next to the hill is the famous "pit of doom", where a few innocent players became victims. (you know who you are!!)
b. Shhhhhh!! Sophmore Meghan Steuer concentrates on her ever important putting skills. Not only was Meghan the MVP, but she also had the lowest scoring average.
c. Here Mr. Becker, Mr. Bales, and assistant coach Melissa Becker (no relation to Mr. Becker) are discussing the close win to Andrean. This year's team beat Andrean by only one stroke.

Inside Jokes	
	Chillies
	C.P.
Hi, my name is Robin like the bird!	Summer
Ketchup packet at Arbys	Tiger, Payne and Sergio
Pickles	Back up to Indiana...
Jigga What...Jigga Who	D.M.
Illiana Boys	The grape that rolled down the aisle
Dave	200 at Sectionals
Mr. Becker's driving	FREAK!!
Can you mark that for me	D.J.
Whoa!	Jason
Tim	MOO-COW!
Dale	Johanna=Yo Han
FRESHMAN!	Jenny= JK Captain
Can you tend the flag?	Wedding on the 9th green











d. Look-here comes the two co-leaders of the team, Jen Kleefisch and JenAnne Walk.
e. Here freshman Johanna Hess and Megan Steuer pose for a cute picture. This year Meghan entertained the team on bus rides by her wonderful singing ability. Johanna will alway be know for leaving her clubs at Lake Hills Golf Course.
f. Senior and captain Jen Kleefisch tees off.
g. Sophmore Kim Goodrich pratices on the putting green.
h. These girls helped to make up the varsity six. Now tell me something, do these look like girls who would throw ketchup packets?????





From the captain

This year's golf season is one I will never forget. I have enjoyed all of my team mates, and all of the crazy things that we have done together. I hope that they all keep playing golf and keep Mr. Becker in line. I just want to wish them all the best and I hope that we keep in touch.

Jenny

Coach Becker

Name: John Becker
Hometown: Berwyn, IL
High school: Fenwick High School
Occupation: Math teacher
of years playing golf: 13
of years coaching golf: 4
Favorite hobby: Golf.
Favorite inside joke: Paddling a canoe around the golf course.

"We did a lot better than expected. I didn't know if we could make it to Regionals this year, but when a team shoots a school record for low 18-hole team score at Sectionals, good things are bound to happen. I am very proud of our accomplishments this year. This is definitely a season I will never forget." -John Becker



Question: What was your most memorable moment?

Alysha Tomlins: Being in the club house during "the storm."



Question: What team did you like the most?
JenAnne Walk: I liked Knox. They were really nice and it was fun to play with them and teach them new things about golf.



*Question:*Who sang on the bus most?
Angela Parkhill: Jenn Jansky.

Overall Record: 16-6

Lowell Wins: Knox (2), South Newton, West Central, North Judson, Valparaiso, Hobart, Andrean, Hanover, Merrillville, North Newton, Kankakee Valley (2), Rensselaer (2), Bishop Noll

Lowell Losses: Chesterton, Lake Central, Crown Point, Munster, Portage

Sectional: 3rd
Regionals: 9th

Below: Back row (left to right): Amber Corey, Samantha Simmons, Jenanne Walk, Angela Parkhill, Kim Goodrich, Meghan Steuer, and Coach Becker. Front row (left to right): Assistant Coach Melissa Becker, Alysha Tomlins, Johanna Hess, Jenn Jansky, Jenny Kleefisch and Sarah Maloney. Not pictured: Caroline Vaandrager and Jess Lukasik.

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Boy's Golf

The 2001 boy's golf team had an amazing season with their young team. The 14 players of the team spent over sixteen hours at practice which paid off with a first place Co-conference finish between Munster and Andrean. Conference matches include nine holes of play with the lowest four out of five scores counting for varsity. On Saturdays the team traveled to its invites at courses all over the region.

Juniors Joe Vandercar, Nick Williams, and Steve Agular will provide a solid two, three, and four behind Sr. Captian Joe Monaldi.Sophmore Nick Runyon was an excellent backbone behind the Junior trio. On Tuesday June 6th, the men's team captured an amazing Sectional victory at White Hawk C.C. in Crown Point. The team totaled 321 for a two stroke victory over Andrean, and Crown Point finished third to qualify for regionals at Beachwood G.C.in Laporte. Nick Runyon mastered the green design of Arnold Palmer with his spectacular twenty-six putts.

-Joe Monaldi

"Our team is fairly young; however, these guys have lots of experience and the desire to practice." *Joe Monaldi..*

Question: What was the most memorable Match this season and why?
The most memorable match was VS Andrean, I played against my brother.

Question: What is something that you hope you will accomplish next year as a senior that you did not accomplish this year?
Sectional victory!











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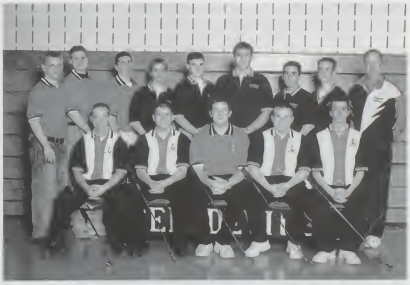




Coach

Robert Thomas

Occupation: Techinical education teacher 28 years.
Boys cross country coach
Years coaching golf: 4





The best finish of the year came at the Lake Central Invite at Lake Hills GC on May 19th. The Boys placed fifth outr of fifteen with a total score of 327.
Scores were as follows:

Monaldi **79**
Williams **80**
Vandercar **83**
Aguilar **85**
Runyon had the shanks! 94





Girls Soccer

With the wonderful coaching staff of head coach Ande Moore and assistant Alison Cianci, it's not surprising why the girls had so much fun. When asked how was this year's team compared to last year's, Ashley Miller (goalie) had a lot to say. "We acted more like a team, and everyone got along with each other." As being part of the team, I can honestly say that the girls had a lot of team unity and determination. Whether it was a win or lose, the girls always left the field with a smile. These funkey monkeys (monkey in the middle) knew how to never give up and fight for a victory. By looking at the record of 9-8-1, you can see what l mean. In fact, a school record was broken...it was the first time in three years to have over six wins! Not only that, the boys and girls soccer team did a wonderful job in the Labor Day Parade, with a nice second place finish for dancing to the Casper Slide.

So as you can see, not only on the field but off the field were good experiences. On a personal note, I can say that I loved being part of this talented team. We had a lot of patience and persistance, had a lot of fun, and had a wonderful and loyal stands of fan support. (The guys were great especially during half time when the audience got a little Casper Slide Show down.) It is nothing I ever dreamed to be apart of something so sensational... well, it is indescribable.

- Sami Rader

Question: Who had the most energy before the games?
Jessica Cooper (#26): When does Sami not have energy!
Question: How was the beginning of the season different from the end as far as wins and losses?
Allison Heine (#4): We did better by the end because we were more comfortable how everyone played.





Question: How was this year's team compared to last year's team?
Erin Viers (#7): This year's team was a family. We all love each other. Last year there were too many conflicts between people.





Left: Rookie of the Year Megan Flores. Look at that amazing form!

a. Shown here Beth Curtis boogies down the field... Oh wait she is just stopping a charge at the goal.
b. Great Save! Here is Ashley Miller making another miraculous save.
c. Ashlee Davis was a great asset in the forward position, and as you can see she does anything to get to the ball. Even if she has to ram a girl.
d. Tiffany Meyers seen here is setting up the ball to switch the field of play.
e.Captain Christa Owens is moving left, moving right, trying to not let the girl get past her. Christa did a wonderful job in the midfield position.

















f.It is just a foot race between the two players, but as usual Kristen Daugherty wins. You are awesome!
g. Eva look out behind you... Nevermind, Eva Slinn never failed at performing her job as defender, or as a matter of fact any task that was brought apon her.
h.The girls had to warm up before the start of the game. After doing so you sure know who let the dogs out!



The team captains this year were Christa Owens and Katrina Csepiga. In this picture Katrina is trying to fake the opponent. She was tremendous at her fast-acting foot parade.

Coach Moore



Name: Ande Moore
Occupation:Pharmacist Assistant
of years playing soccer: 18
of years coaching soccer: 18
of years coaching at LHS: 2
Interests: Soccer

"I have really enjoyed my experience with the Lowell girls. We have lots of fun and I hope that I can continue to help the girls enjoy the sport."



Question: What was the best thing that happened to you?
Kristin Scott: I met some of the best people Lowell has to offer.



Question: What was the funniest moment?
Lindsay Peddy (#18): Jess Cooper yelling "put me in coach!" and then getting a yellow for ramming that BC girl.



Question: How do you feel about the fan support?
Jessica Klidaras (manager): It has gotten better (Superfan Eddie was there from the start).

Overall Record: 9-8-1

Lowell Defeated: (Jamboree) Bishop Noll 3-2 (Regular Season) E.C. Central 7-0; Hobart 3-0; Hammand Clark 8-3; Boone Grove 6-3; Hammond Morton 3-1; E.C. Central 12-1; K.V. 5-3.

Lowell Losses: (Jamboree) Munster 0-8; Bishop Noll 0-6; Andrean 1-9; Griffith 0-11; Benton Central 3-8; Highland 1-15; Munster 1-12

Lowell Ties: Wheeler 5-5

Below: The 2000-2001 LHS Girls Soccer team (l to r): Megan Bachinski, Karina Albertsen, Jess Cooper, Tiffany Meyers, Ashley Miller, Kristen Daugherty, Allison Heine, Beth Curtis, Ashlee Davis, Eva Slinn, Sami Rader, Lindsay Peddy, Christa Owens, Erin Viers, Katrina Csepiga, Britanny Cellarius, Megan Flores, Kristin Scott.



Boys Soccer

The season's opening appeared to be a promising one. The 2000-2001 Boy's Varsity Soccer team began their pre-season conditioning a very short time prior to their first game. Before the commencement of their first game, their expectations for what was to come were unknown. From the beginning of the first ever line-up to the last bell of the last game, a tumultuous season occurred.

"We won, then lost," is the season best wrapped up by senior midfielder, David Kuiper. The beginning of their season started off great with a record of 4-1-1. Towards the end the boys couldn't pull it together and finished with a 4-10-2 record. Though success was not accomplished on the field, off the field was a different story. The boy's began to embrace each other as a team and did not blame each other as much as in previous years for their mistakes. Through tree-laps, injuries, and the occasional embarrassment from their coach Dale Moore's reaction to refs, the team was able to compete at a higher level of play. They were also able to accomplish a great deal despite their rough record.

- Kristen Daugherty

Question: What was your most memorable moment?
Tim Bult: Watching the younger members of the team grow in their soccer a abilities...both mentally and physically. Watch out for these guys next year.



Question: Who were your captains and what did they do for you?
Adam Erpelding: Dan Fisher yelled at the refs, Steve Northrop played excellent defense, and Mike Rosenwinkel...



Question: How did it make you feel when you ran tree laps?
John Kuiper: I didn't, I walked.





a. Steve Northrop, a senior captain, looks right and moves left as he fakes out the opposing team with his ball handling skills while he defends the goal.
b. Mike Rosenwinkel is seen here preparing himself for another grueling half as goalie. Mike also had the role of captain this year.
c. Is that Riverdance? No, it's just Dan Fisher, the third captain, stopping a ball from penetrating the box.
d.Aw! Isn't that sweet, Steve Maloney is seen here hugging the opposing team member as he steals the ball...nice tactic.
e.Is that Freddie Prince Jr.? No, it is just Dave Kuiper who, in a recent poll, won the vote as the Best Casper Slide Dancer! Way to Go!


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f.Jake Sewell checks out the hot girls standing on the sidelines while taking a breather from the game!
g.Cory Klidaras, often seen in forward motion sets up the ball and sends it plummeting towards the goal!
h.Zack Heine, a defender, said his funniest moment was when the Wheeler coach yelled at the fans.
i.When asked about fan support defender Andreas Lexelius replied, " The girl's soccer team was the best!"
j.Chris Woodworth showed his dedication to soccer this season with his increased ability.



Dan Fisher, Mike Rosenwinkel, and Steven Northrop had the roles of captain this year. Each one lead the team in his own way. Steve lead through example on the field, Dan lead in a more vocal manner, and Mike was always behind the team no matter what move they made.

Coach Moore



Name: Dale Moore
of years playing soccer: Since I was a child
of years coaching soccer: 16 years, I have also been a goalie on a mens over 40 team for 4 years.
of years coaching at LHS: 4 years

" I have been a soccer coach, assistant coach, and Premier Travel coach for 16 years. What also makes this job so enjoyable is having the support of one of the best Athletic Department I have ever encountered. My hope is to be able to continue coaching at a place with such a fine group, and the best kids I have ever met! I have enjoyed every minute of it!



Kyle Kras, number 7



Question: Who was the best Casper Slide Dancer?
Brandon Beckrich: David Kuiper, he got 3 phone numbers from the other (girl's) team while John Kuiper and I only got two.



Question: Did you encounter any injuries this season?
Unknown: I didn't have any soccer injuries, but I did get hurt...let's just say it involved a tractor, an anvil, and a 30-gallon tub of mayonaise.

Overall Record 4-10-3

Team Wins: Hammond Gavit 2-1, Crown Point 1-0, K.V. 3-1, Hammond
Team Losses: LaPorte 1-6, Griffith 0-9, Highland 1-5, Andrean 1-4, Chesterton, Hammond Morton 3-4, Hobart 1-6, Munster 0-10, Wheeler 0-4, Hammond Clark
Ties: LaPorte 1-1, Boone Grove, Bishop Noll



Below:David Kuiper, Steve Northrop,Dan Fisher, Zack Heine, Adam Erpelding, Andreas Lexelius,Chris Woodworth, Mgr. BrandiOlivotto, Middle:Mgr. Dana Seramur, Jake Sewell, Kyle Kras,Tim Bult, John Kuiper,Mike Rosenwinkel,Mgr. Amy Gearhart,Bottom:Brandon Pulley, Jake Hefner,Jake Woodworth, Steve Malony, Cory Klidaras

Student Athletic Trainers

What do you get when you have 20 girls and one boy? A whole lot of fun and laughter. That is what Mr. Lindsay dealt with day in and day out. He chose each trainer the previous year. Each prospect had to get teacher recomendations, fill out a form, and participate in an interview. After selected, each trainer had to learn the various taping jobs and become CPR certified. So for one week at the end of July, everyone met at the school and went through orientation. After that, fall season was ready to begin. Ten girls composed the fall staff. They divided into partners and each week sat at a different sport. Two-a-days brought long afternoons and boredom, but the girls found ways to stay entertained. They colored, made warm fuzzies, read magazines, and did each other's make-up. With all of us together there would never be a dull moment. The fall staff traveled to every away football game and enjoyed almost every minute of it. Soon it was time for the winter season to begin. There were new trainers and new sports to watch. On the winter staff there were ten girls and one lucky boy. The winter staff kept the laughs coming while dancing to the Backstreet Boys cd and "funk overload." The winter staff also enjoyed getting a cup of pickles from Subway (even if they didn't always eat them!) Winter season flew by, and soon it was time for spring. Once again there were ten girls to accommodate the athletes. Most of the staff enjoyed hanging out in the nice weather. The rained out games were also usually an exciting time. Training brings many quality skills to high schoolers that they will be able to use in the future.

~Shelley Vandercar



Andrea Marvel watches and learns while Stephanie Schulfer tapes her ankle. The week long orientation is very beneficial to all the trainers, new and old.



Justin Denton, Christa Owens, and Emily Rosinko share a snack while visiting the zoo. The trainers always have fun while on their Chicago trip.



While in Chicago the trainers visited Navy Pier along with the Sears Tower. Here a few of the trainers pose for a picture in the Sears Tower overlooking the Southside of Chicago.



Left: One day during the summer the trainers all went to Chicago for a fun walk to raise money. While there, Mr. Lindsay allowed the girls to stop and take a picture with some sailors. Everyone was more than willing to smile.

A) Beth Curtis tries on a football uniform just to see how much it actually weighs. During orientation Mr. Lindsay teaches the trainers how to properly care for a football player.
B) Tabitha Perry admitted that the worst part of training was the stinky feet, but these must have been fine, because Tabitha carefully tapes a foot and shin.
C) First year trainer Kendall Schultz concentrates hard, while lerning the proper way to tape an arch.
D) Danielle Stovall enjoys a nice fall day while watching freshman football. Here she tries to finish some homework. Training consumes a lot of time, so any breaks are greatly appreciated.
E) Mr. Lindsay quickly tapes Chris Kimbrell's arch so he can get back into the game. Alana Garton watches and assists Mr. Lindsay. During a game, the sidelines can get crazy, so the trainers have a tough time staying focused and patient.













F)Emily Daugherty, Kelly Cosgrove, and Courtney Wilson take a break from the intense football game to pose for the camera. They had to make sure that each football player had plenty of water.
G)Alana Garton, and Meredith Cusic show off their skills during orientation. Both were second year trainers.
H)Jess Cooper, and Courtney Wilson have a little fun during the boy's relays track meet. Don't worry, though, the girls were prepared in case of an injury.
I) Shelley Vandercar and Ashley Jurs goof off while wasting time while training.
J)It was a long night for Caroline Parilac, Christa Owens, Emily Daugherty, and Tabitha Perry, but the smiles remained on their faces. I think the boys had a little to do with that.











Senior athletic trainers except for C. Owens, J. Denton, N. Chermak, E. Rosinko, S. Vandercar, A. Mavel, J. Kern, S. Schulfer, K. Cosgrove.

Certified Athletic Trainer
Mr.Lindsay

Name: Kent Lindsay
Occupation: Health and PE teacher
of years at LHS: no information provided
Other training positions: no information provided.



"I was suprised with the amount of dedication, or lack there of with the trainers this year."



Here are Ashley Jurs, Jenny Kern, and Emily Daugherty hamming it up for the camera. The girls made a movie about training during a slumber party. Each girl played a fellow trainer.



Mr. Lindsay catches up on his reading while watching a girls soccer game. The amount of hours he puts in does not allow him to read as much as he would like.



Naaaaah! Jenny Kern, Shelley Vandercar and Kelly Cosgrove depict the fall trainers favorite gesture.

Of the ten student athletic trainers surveyed...

60% were Seniors
10% were Juniors
30% were Sophomores

80% enjoyed eating Subway after school
10% liked McDonald's
10% ate Pizza Hut

30% have been on staff for three years
10% have been on staff for two years
60% were on staff for their first year

30% enjoyed watching track the best
20% enjoyed football
20% liked soccer
20% had fun at baseball
10% took pleasure in basketball

20% trained for all three seasons
30% trained for two seasons
50% only spent one season training

100% would go through it all again



(left to right) C. Parilac, A. Garton, J. Kern, A. Marvel, M. Cusic, S. Schulfer, K. Schultz, A. Gasparovic, T. Perry, J. Denton, E. Daugherty, K. Cosgrove, C. Owens, E. Rosinko, Mr. Lindsay, N. Chermak, D. Stovall, (bottom) A. Jurs, S. Vandercar, J. Cooper

Volleyball

Volleyball is a game of grace, endurance, agility, and some hard-hitting. Traditionally, the Lady Red Devils have always done well in the sport of volleyball. This year was no exception. Led by Coach Fuerstenberg, the girls gave it their all game-in and game-out. Led by a variety of senior stars, the girls dominated an array of opponents. Way to go, girls!



Freshman Mary Erpelding goes over the rules with the ref



Abby Ellis goes guards the net with all of her efforts



The team getting ready for game three--and victory!



Left: The team huddles as it closes in on another victory

a) Melissa Bayer shows nice form as she bumps the ball

b) Sarah Bult gets a high five from teammate Rachel Wielgos

c) Senior Courtney Schuttrow anxiously awaits the ball

d) Lisa Schulfer spikes it!











e) Junior Katie Sullivan gets ready to serve



f) The JV/Freshmen team have a conference



g) Rachel Wielgos, Katie Sullivan and Sarah Bult discuss strategy



Number 11 Sarah Bult blocks the ball and prevents the other team from scoring.



Coach

Fuerstenberg



Number 12 Ashley Lukasik gets ready to slam the ball



Number 24 Lisa Schulfer guarding the net



Freshman Nicole Johnson, the future of the LHS Varsity Volleyball Team

Scores Unavailable



The team (below; l to r): Standing-- Gina Hathaway, Courtney Schuttrow, Katie Sullivan, Melissa Bayer, Lisa Schulfer, Sarah Bult, Leslie Kosa, Coach Wendy Fuerstenberg. Kneeling--Abby Ellis, Christi Brill, Lauren Hopkins, Sarah Huber, Rachel Wielgos

Football

The people of Lowell had their doubts about this year's team. Granted, due to last year's success, they had a lot to measure up to. However, they did an outstanding job. For the season opener, the Red Devils played the Crown Point Bulldogs--and beat them 20-13. In beating the Bulldogs, this helped the fans find their "mojo" again. From that moment on, our stands were packed with fans (whether the game was home or away) sustaining their support for the Devils.

As the season proceeded, the Devils could not be stopped. Every game the came on the field with their heads held high, thinking and hoping for nothing but a win. The biggest game of the season was against the Griffith Panthers, beating then 39-36. This has marked the 3rd consecutive win against them and the first time in history Lowell has ever done that.

Throughout the whole season the Devils accomplished many things, such as a 7-2 regular season record, they finished 2nd place in the LAC (Black Division), won the "clash of the can" for the 8th consecutive year against K.V., was ranked 2nd in the state and Mike French rushed for over 1000 yards, which marks the 7th season in the last 8 seasons with a running back who rushed for over 1000 yards.

In concluding this article, we would like to say sonething to all the football players. This year ended faster than we all wanted it to, but even though it ended early you all did an excellent job. The school, your peers, and your community are all very proudof you and we all enjoyed the ride. Thank You!

To the Seniors: You gave us a great year. A lot of people will remember it, but most importantly, you will remember it for the rest of your lives. So as your lives progress look back on this and think of how much fun you had. I personally want to thank all of you for such a great year and I would also like to wish you the best of luck in the future! Thank You!!

~Lindsey French



A.J. Schmelter



Randy Hacker



Bob Wragg



Left: Quaterback Allen Houchins tells his teammates what play they are to run.
A. They Devils huddle together for a pre-game ritual.
B. Junior Quarterback Allen Houchins looks over the defense before he takes the snap from under center.
C. Senior wide receiver Keith Powers makes a fast move to get away from Hammonds defense.
D. The team huddles to listen to Coach Kennedy during a time-out.
E. Junior Ryan Kersey eyes the ball from his defensive end spot.



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F. Senior defensive tackle Joe Hisaw leads the team out on the field as they anticipate a big win.
G. Senior tailback Mike French catches the pitch and makes his way to the perimeter.
H. Quarterback Allen Houchins proceeds to pitch the ball to one of his running backs.
I. Senior Josh "Felix" Sewell sits out this game from an injury that happened during a practice.
J. Senior captains French and Kimbrell exchange a hand off on a reverse.



Eric Decker shows his excitement during the game as he cheers for the team he loves!

Coach Kennedy



Name: Kirk Kennedy
Age: 37
Occupation: High School P.E. and Health teacher and high school football coach
College Attended: University of Louisville
Played football for: 15 years
of years coaching: 12 years
of years coaching at LHS: 12 years

"We exceeded a lot of expectations, we got off to a very good start, but we had a very disappointing end to the season."

–Coach Kennedy



Question: Which team did you dislike the most?
Greg Smith: Griffith!!!



Question: What was one of the funniest moment of the year?
Sean Griffin: When Kimbrell wore the little knicers helmet out to practice.



Question: What was your favorite team to play?
Keith Powers: Hammond High because they are a class act team!

Overall Record
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Team Wins: Crown Point (20-13), Lake Station (76-0), Twin Lakes (7-0), Highland (9-0), Hammond High (39-7), Griffith (39-36), Kankakee Valley (27-0), Gavit (16-9)

Team Loses: Munster (0-7), Andrean (20 -7), Hammond High (0-7)



Below: Back Row- K. Kilmer, B. Stewart, K. Kennedy, M. Reid, J. Carlson
6th Row- Mgr. J. Bourrell, L. Lukasik, A. Stiener, B. Wragg, E. Anderson, R. Rygiewicz, R. Kersey, J. Kersey, R. Seydel
5th Row- Mgr. L. French, E. Carlson, B. Verkler, R. Beaudreau, D. Laumeyer, C. Van Deursen, A. Houchins, J. Sewell, M. Marszalek, S. Crowley
4th Row- Mgr. C. Lexow, D. Bruckman, K. Powers, S. Griffin, J. Hisaw, R. Hacker, A. Schmelter, D. Blackford, B. Lippie, Mgr. M. Reid
3rd Row- J. Montoya, A. Vassar, P. Zelenka, B. Szafranski, S. Anderson, J. Wleklinski, M. Puskar, T. Ferry, M. Storey, Mgr. A. Gasparovic
2nd Row- J. Favors, C. Griner, T. Sova, J. Frahm, B. Jones, J. Crulcich, G. Smith, J. Overton, Mgr. J. Crocker
1st Row- G. Politakis, M. Rudzinski, J. Giglio, J. Holder, M. Marzotto, S. Voss, C. Kimbrell, M. French, J. Stewart

Girls Swimming

This year the Lowell High School swimming pool got a little make-over. After the end of the 1999-2000 season, construction on the pool began. They had many plans for a remodeled pool. It would be getting new tile, gutter, starting blocks, benches, a paint job, and a heated shower for the divers. None of the girls could wait until the next season to see it.

Plans became a little backed up and the pool was postponed from opening for three weeks after the swim season started. The girls' swim team commuted to North Newton every night for those three weeks. Junior captain Jessica Cooper said, "The trip was long and boring. There wasn't enough practice time, which caused the season to not start off as good as we hoped." After traveling for three weeks, the girls would take the old pool, a mud hole, or anything else they could swim in just so they wouldn't have to travel anymore. Finally the pool opened. Everything was clean, new, and fresh. Senior and captain Sami Rader said, "The pool was really nice and I'm glad I got to swim in it before I graduated." The biggest difference of the pool was the removal of the devil from the ceiling. It is not known why they took it down, but it was a definite intimidation factor to other teams. Of all the wonderful things about the new pool, the only drawback is the missing devil. It will be missed.

In all, the girls had a productive season. With a meet record of 8 and 6, the girls swim team came out on top. At the Lowell Invitational the girls defeated everyone there for a first place finish. After a long ride to Twin Lakes, they pulled off a fourth place finish out of six teams. In their conference meet, held at Highland High School, Lowell finished off with third place. Lake Central is the host for sectionals every year. This year the Lady Red Devils practiced hard and swam fast to receive their fourth place finish behind Lake Central, Crown Point, and Merrillville High School. Sarah Perfetti even broke a school record this year at a dual meet in Highland. Sarah broke the 200 IM record with the time of 2:20.91.

Swimming is a difficult sport that takes hard work, dedication, time, and energy. The girls swim team had good season and they should continue to keep up the hard work and dedication for years to come.

Question: What was your most memorable moment from the 2000-2001 swimming season?

Christi Brill: The most memorable moment was the long, cold bus ride to the Twin Lakes

Question: Who were the captains and what did they do for you?

Beth Ferry: The captains were Sami Rader, Christi Brill, Jessica Cooper, and Lauren Hopkins. They were all great captains and I enjoyed being with them. I will miss the Seniors like Sami, Christi, and Lauren so much, and I wish them good luck.

Question: What do you think of the coaches?

Jennie Blandford: I love them, and I will really miss Coach Bernotus.









a. Senior Lauren Hopkins is just having fun posing for this picture after a long, hard practice. Lauren was a contributing factor to this year's team. This is her fourth year as a varsity swimmer.

b. Ashlee Davis stands anxiously at sectionals, held at Lake Cental, with the team's mascot, Animal. Ashlee is a very competitive swimmer and contributed a positive attitude to this team.

c. Here's Animal again with Kristin Lamb. As you can see Animal was an important part of this swim team.

d. This is Coach Bernotus. This is her second year as an assistant coach. She seems to be in deep thought about the upcoming meet. Coach B, as some call her, was a Lady Red Devil swimmer in high school also.



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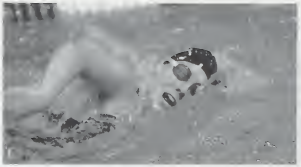


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e. Junior Jessica Cooper has been swimming with the Lowell High School swim team for three years now. Jessica swims the 500 m freestyle, which she is swimming in this picture. Jessica was also a captain this year.
f. Senior Sami Rader, who was also a captain, is shown here swimming freestyle, but her favorite event was the 100 m butterfly.
g. Here is sophomore Sarah Perfetti and freshman Jenna Ritsema. Both were good assests to the team.



Pictured above is two of the four captains. This is Christi Brill and Sami Rader. Brill said, "I really liked being a captain, and it enabled me to get close to all of the girls." Rader said, "It was a great honor being captain because it brought me closer to the teams. It also helped me to open up and be myself." Cooper said, "I felt privileged that the coaches picked me for captain. I hope to be captain again next year as a Senior." Hopkins said, "I enjoyed being a captain, and I'm glad the girls could look up to me. I'll miss them."

Coach Vavrek

Name: Jennifer Vavrek
How long have you been coaching? This is my fifth year as a high school coach, but I also coached age group for nine years before that.
Where did you attend college? Purdue University
What is your favorite animal? Cats
As a high school swim coach, how many conference championships do you have? I have two.



Coach Vavrek says, "I love coaching. It is a great way to get to know a group of students. I enjoy seeing swimmers reach their goals."







Question: Who was the most spirited person on the team?
Michelle Smith: Sami Rader was the most spirited person on the team.
Question: What do you think about the fan support?
Sarah Maloney: It wasn't as great as I would have liked, but there was still a lot of people that came and cheered us on.
Question: What was the best thing that happened to you this swim season?
Lauren Hopkins: The best thing that happened to me was getting my best time at sectionals in the 50 m freestyle.

Lowell Wins:
Griffith 92-90, Hammond Gavit 101-78, Calumet/Bishop Noll 155-48-94, Hobart 134-44, South Newton/Wheeler 153-10-85, North Judson 90-89, Kankakee Valley 91-89.

Lowell Loses:
Merrillville 81-100, Munster 57-126, Lake Central 44-144, Highland 83-102, Crown Point 51-131, Rensselaer 82-89.

Lowell Invitationals:
Twin Lakes 4th, Lowell 1st, Conference 3rd, LAC 9/10 3rd, Sectionals 4th.



The Team (Below): Helene Dubuc, Sami Radar, Christi Brill, Lauren Hopkins, Tara Spicer, Jen Harkin, Jana Einfeldt, Karina Albertson, Danielle Johnson, Rachel Stewart, Jen Pilar, Caroline Vaandrager, Jessica Cooper, Debra Ballas, Alexis Wolters, Diana Buikema, Ashlee Davis, Peyton Finley, Michelle Smith, Sarah Perfetti, Anneitta Blandford, Kelsey Brown, Katie Mitchell, Gina Hathaway, Sarah Smith, Coach Bernotus, Sarah Martin, Jenni Blandford, Kristen Lamb, Nicole Johnson, Beth Ferry, Jen Lindemer, Coach Vaverik, Stephanie Nasky, Sarah Maloney, Brook Morgan, Jenna Ritsema, Molly Novak

Boys Swimming

Splish! Splash!

You may think it is easy to swim laps, but have you ever gotten up at 6:00 in the morning to swim before school? Or... try everyday after school for two hours. These boys have put a lot of time, hard work, and dedication into the sport. In fact, with a record of 10-11-0, it may seem challenging, but they knew how to face their battles. Swimming is not always about winning or losing, but accomplishing your goals and breaking your own times.

One of the biggest supporters of the team is coach Bill Holland. As Matthew Anderson states," Bill Holland is the best coach I ever had. He knew exactly what we were feeling, and why we were feeling it." This is coach Holland's second year as the head boys coach, and as you can see he is doing a good job.

One highlight of this year's season was the bellyflop contests that was held simultaneously. Not only was it a grueling defeat to be the winner of a race, but also a battle of the bellyflops.

So as the years go on, participation starts to rise greatly. I am sure this trend will continue.

These boys put a lot of work to make themselves fight to accomplish personal goals and records. I can also say that this is not the easiest sport to get into, but they have a great deal of fun and spirit.

- Sami Rader

Question: What do you think of the new pool?

Lloyd Besaw: Awesome. Nice. Neato. Cool. Gnarley. Totally Nectar.



Question: What was your biggest goal for this season? Did you accomplish it?

Brett Bernotus: To break a 1:12 in the 100 breast stroke. I did it with a 1:08.



Question: Did you enjoy the team dinners?

David Bloch: :) Yumm. Jello!





Left: Bill Mitchell wake up! This is the sport of swimming, not sleeping.

a. Shown here Chris Ferry takes a breath so he can finish the race with a dominate win.
b. Senior John Wolters concentrates to take a big leaping dive. John was also a captain this year.
c. Hey Billy stop trying to kiss the camera... Billy Davis was one of the breast strokers on the team. He improved greatly; he even made it to second round sectionals.
d. Manager Lenny Gumienny took many strides to make this year a good one.
e. Nick Williams did a very good job in back stroke. He even had a finger injury that caused him a great deal of pain at sectionals. Way to bear through the pain.





















f. I think Anthony Panozzo needs to relax. You look a bit flustered.
g. Is that the Fresh Prince of Bel-Air... Oh wait it is just Henry Doffin as he takes time to smile for the camera.
h.Here Nick Brill demonstrates the easy way to make a big splash while doing backstroke.
i. Brett Bernotus was a great asset to the team. He was one of the leading breast strokers.
j. Lloyd Besaw demonstrates how to breath properly while swimming freestyle.



There were numerous captains this year. John Wolters, Anthony Panozzo, Ben Wilson, Nick Brill, Rob Bryant,and Nick Williams. Nick Williams and Nick Brill spirits let them pull of a spectacular finish.

Coach Holland

Name: Bill Holland
Occupation: Teacher
of years swimming: all through high school and college
of years coaching swimming: 2
of years coaching at LHS: 2
Interests: Swimming and spending time with his family.



" The best part is working with kids that work hard to achieve their goals. I also enjoy brainstorming ways to improve my coaching to improve the accomplishments of my athletes. "



Question: What do you think about the fan support?
Ben Wilson: Everyone was very supportive.



Question: What did you do to pump yourself up before a race?
*Billy Mitchell:*Did a couple of bellyflops!



Question: What is your favorite event and why?
Jason Nichols: The 100 fly, because it is a challenge.

Overall Record: 10-11-0

Lowell Defeated: Bishop Noll 152-43; Calumet 152-101; South Newton 160-5; Wheeler 160-83; Kankakee Valley 93-87; Griffith 93-91.

Lowell Losses: Munster; Hobart 17.5-107.5; Highland 63-120; Crown Point 77-106; Rensselear 70-115; Lake Central 45-138; Merrillville 73-113.

Lowell's Placing: Twin Lakes Invite 3rd of 6; LaPorte Invite 8th; Lowell Invite 1st; LAC 3rd of 7; LAC 9/10 3rd of 7; Sectionals 6th of 7.



Below: The 2000-2001 LHS Boys Swimming team (l to r) Front Row: mgr Lenny Gumienny, Mike Kostelnik, Henry Doffin, Kyle Govert, Billy Davis. Second Row: mgr Jesse Hubert, Matthew Anderson, Jason Nichols, David Bloch, Lloyd Besaw. Third Row: Brett Bernotus, Anthony Lopez, Chris Ferry, Mike Mamouzellos, Tim Adams, Bill Mitchell. Fourth Row: John Wolters, Nick Brill, Ben Wilson, Coach Bill Holland, Nick Williams, Anthony Panozzo, Rob Bryant.

Boys and Girls Diving

This year's diving season was like last years in that both years started off with new diving coaches and not many returning divers. Not only was it a rough beginning because of the new coach, but when the season first started the boys and girls swimming and diving teams had to travel to North Newton for practice as they awaited the finishing of the remodeled pool facilities here at Lowell. The North Newton pool did not have diving boards so all the divers had to swim while there. Though all this set the divers back a little, it did not stop them from having a great season with many memories, personal bests, and top finishes.

Question: What was your most memorable moment?

Debra Ballas: "My most memorable moment was at conference when I was throwing my double front and I smacked my face on the water and the had to delay the meet while I regrouped."

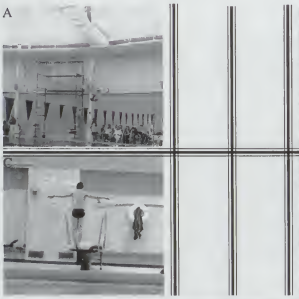


Robby Bryant: "Throwing Coach in the pool was the most memorable thing for me in Diving this year."



Kyle Govert: "My most memorable moment was definitely throwing coach in the pool."





A: Robby Bryant isn't afraid of heights as he displays here with his forward 1 and 1/2 in the pike position.
B: Practicing her back dive straight Debra Ballas becomes parallel with the board.
C: Kyle Govert prepares himself for a back dive against Crown Point.
D: Practicing his approach Tim Adams gets ready for the Crown Point meet.
E: Forward dive pike is no problem for Debra Ballas as she demenstrates here against Crown Point.
F: Soaring through the air with the greatest of ease Robby Bryant performs his forward double in the tuck position.



Do you plan on diving next year?
Robby Bryant-Yes
Tim Adams-Yes
Kyle Govert-Yes
Mike Kostelnik-Yes
Debra Ballas-Yes
Sarah Martin-Yes, Debra is making me!!!





G: Tim Adams throws his forward double in the tuck position.
H: Kyle Govert soars high doing a forward dive pike against Crown Point.

What is your favorite part of diving?

Rob Bryant: "Learning new dives and meeting people."
Sarah Martin: "Trying reverse dives was my favorite!"





Returning Letrterman were (above) Robby Bryant, Debra Ballas. and not pictured Tim Adams.
"This year like last year we had a new coach which made things a little slow at first as we got to know her. Also we only had three returning letterman so we had to work a lot with the new comers."-Debra Ballas

Coach's Statistics



Name: Jen Slavens
Occupation: Painting and detailing cars
Other: Jen dove 4 years of High school diving at Lake Central and 1 year of college diving at Vincennes University. During her diving career she was a regional champ, 2x Sectional champ, 3x state qualifier, most promising frosh, and most dedicated diver.
"I enjoyed coaching," Jen Slavens







Question: What is your most memorable moment?

Tim Adams: "When I was able to dive again after being suspended."

Mike Kostelnik: "Robby Bryant was doing a reverse 2 1/2 and he smacked the water. The whole thing was caught on tape and we watched it over and over again. That was my most memorable."

Sarah Martin: "My most memorable moments was getting coach wet everyday!"

First Place Awards go to.....

All boys information unavailable
Robby Bryant-Lowell Invite-Unknown
Debra Ballas-Hobart-158.85
Debra Ballas-Lowell Invite-142.25
Debra Ballas-KV-144.65
Debra Ballas-Clark, Hammond, N. Newton-unknown
Debra Ballas-Rensselaer-164.45



Below:
(left -right) Mike Kostelnik, Kyle Govert, Debra Ballas, Robby Bryant, Sarah Martin, and not pictured Tim Adams.

Varsity Girl's Basketball

After losing seven seniors from last year's group due to graduation, the Lady Red Devils knew that this year would be a rebuilding year, considering there were only a few girls returning with true Varsity experience. With only three seniors this year, two freshmen were promoted to Varsity while three other freshmen on JV dressed and occasionally played on Varsity. It was a young team with potential and an outlook of a great team in the upcoming years.

The girls started off their season slow, basically having to go over basic fundamentals like ball handling every practice. However, by the end of the season, the girls had developed into a much more improved team. After starting off the season with a record of 0-8, by the end of the season the girls gained a little confidence by winning 5 of their last 7 games before sectional play. These wins were very important because they were all conference games, giving the Lady Red Devils a finish in the middle of a very competitive conference.

Although this year's team could not be compared to last year's regional champions, the girls still had a lot of heart and determination to improve. The girls learned a lot from each other and from this season in general, and they all had a lot of fun together.

-Eva Slinn



Question: What did you look forward to the most at practice?
Kristin Kania: 5:15



Question: What did you dread the most about practice?
Jackie Wojcik: when Coach said "On the line!"



Question: What was the best bus trip?
Niki Hanas: The way home from the Carroll Tourney when Rachel and I ate a whole pizza to ourselves.



Compared to last year's seven seniors, this year the girls only had three: Courtney Schuttrow, Nicole Meyers, and Eva Slinn. Courtney Schuttrow received the Mental Attitude Award this season, and Eva Slinn received the Defensive Devil and Free Throw Awards, while Nicole Meyers received her first Varsity letter.

All Conference Selections

1st team
Rachel Wielgos

2nd team
Lisa Schulfer
Jackie Wojcik

Honorable Mention
Eva Slinn



a.



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a. While at Fazoli's during the annual Carroll Tourney, Rachel Wielgos stops to pose for a pic with Reed Holdeman. b. Eva Slinn, Kristin Kania, Lisa Schulfer, and Jill Porento chill in the Devil's Den during their lunch hour to watch game film. c. McKensey Wietbrock makes sure to block off all passing lanes of her opponent. McKensey played the majority on JV and also dressed Varsity. d. Kristin Kania contributed a lot on Varsity with her quickness on defense.



e. On the long ride to the Carroll Tourney, Jill Porento was caught sleeping on the bus. f. Eva Slinn stays low and gets ready to play some major defense. g. Rachel Wielgos keeps her hand in the shooter's face on defense. That was a big thing the girls were forced to remember on defense. h. Niki Hanas drives around the defense in an attempt to score. i. Freshman point guard, Natalie Hanas, and Senior point guard, Eva Slinn. Natalie also dressed and played some Varsity this season.



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Captains



"Our season was a learning experience, but once I look back on it, it was a lot of fun with great girls." --Courtney Schuttrow

"This season started off really slow, but we had a lot of fun together, and we improved a lot." --Eva Slinn

Coach McCormack



Name: Patti McCormack
Hometown: Akron, Ohio
High school: Green High School
Occupation: teacher, Varsity Girls basketball coach, assistant Athletic director
of years playing basketball: 4 yrs of high school, 2 yrs at IU
of years coaching basketball: 23 yrs.
Favorite hobby: raising golden retrievers
Best memory this season: seeing the improvement in the squad from the first time we played Merrillville until we played them in the sectional game.

"This season was a test of perserverance after losing a significant amount of letterwinners from the 2000 squad and having 2 of the 4 returning letterwinners out with injuries most of the year. the team learned early that it was going to be a long hard road to travel. Despite a losing record, this year's squad showed amazing improvement. Four players received all-conference recognition while 8 of 12 received all academic honors, and the team won six of their last eight games. A great deal of credit goes to the seniors, Courtney Schuttrow, Eva Slinn, and Nicole Meyers, for hanging in there as the youth evolved."

-Patti McCormack

Scorebox



Rachel Wielgos



Question: What do you think you contributed to the team?
Kristin Scott: my defensive skills and positive attitude



Question: What was your most memorable moment?
Lisa Schulfer: The Hammond High game when I stole the ball and for the first time in high school got to dribble down the court on a fast break.

North Newton	L	29-57
Andrean	L	45-59
Merrillville	L	18-57
Hanover	L	26-35
Hobart	L	21-48
Crown Point	L	12-80
Lake Central	L	28-62
Munster	L	29-34
Hammond Clark	W	36-16
Bishop Noll	L	38-55
Carroll	L	38-45
Rossville	L	39-44
Hammond Gavit	L	27-60
Whiting	W	42-37
Lake Station	W	64-6
Griffith	L	36-45
Hammond High	W	56-38
Calumet	W	46-43
Hammond Morton	W	43-29
Highland	L	22-55
Merrillville (sectionals)	L	35-55

Below: (Back row) left to right: Katie McQuiston, Coach McCormack, Rachel Wielgos, Nicole Meyers, Jackie Wojcik, Lisa Schulfer, Kristin Scott, Coach Fuerstenburg, Niki Hanas, Kristin Kania, Eva Slinn, Jill Porento, and Courtney Schuttrow.



Boy's Basketball

When referring to this year's Varsity Basketball Team, one might describe the season as interesting. This year's Red Devils started their season out well as they have in the past four years by going four and three by the end of the 2000 year. They went four and one in the month of December and started the month by defeating Munster. In January they finished the month off by beating Lake Station and Whiting with their records standing at six and six. Although the Red Devils did not win another game,this team competed in every game including heartbreaking games against Gavit and North Newton. This year consisted of a great bunch of guys, which included these seven seniors that contributed a lot to the team: Jason Harper, Erick Decker, Ryan Seydel, Steve Northrop, Rich Rygiewicz, Steven Harker, and James Dickinson. Great job guys!

-Christina Lutgen-



Question: What do you think was the biggest benefit you received while playing basketball in high school?
James Dickinson: The great friends that I made that I know I will keep even when basketball is over.



Question: What was the most memorable game this season and why?
Eric Anderson: I can't remember each game individually.



Question: What is something that you hope you will accomplish next year as a senior that you did nto accomplish this year?
Andrew Steiner: Drop step dunking!



Left: Marc Keilman

a. Senior Jason Harper takes a shot for the basket after he escaped from his defender. b. Steve Harker focuses on the rim as he attempts an easy point from the free throw line. Steve was also this year's Leading Team Rebounder. c. Ryan Seydel keeps his eye on the ball as he anticipates a pass from the other team. Ryan was nominated by his team as the MVP and was also awarded the Most Improved Player.
d. Sophomore Nathan Wilbourn throws the ball in bounce as the rest of the team is setting up to score against their opponent. e. Junior Brian Sciackitano keeps dribbling as he looks for an open team member.


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f. Sophomore Justin Bales is caught by the camera in defense position. Bales was the youngest teammate on the Varsity team.
g. Jason Corns, a member of the JV team, blocks his defender from a shot attempt. h. Matt Roberts was a sophomore guard on this year's JV team. i. Coach Magley thinks about the team's progress throughout the game while the team approaches the bench during a time out.



Above Erick Decker focuses on his opponent as he anticipates his next move. Erick Decker was a key player to this year's team. He led the team in assists and he also received the L-Club Leadership award.

Coach Birmingham



Name: Jack Birmingham
Occupation: LHS History Teacher
Years coaching basketball: 14
Years coaching at LHS: 4

"This group of kids was by far the best I have had to work with. This is my last season as varsity basketball coach, since I will be taking the responsibilities of Assistant Principal at the middle school. I will miss the times I was fortunate enough to be the Head Boys Basketball coach at LHS."

	Opponent	Lowell	
Lake Central	60	36	Loss
Grant Park	44	40	Loss
Munster	53	59	Win
Hebron	54	80	Win
Hammond Clark	50	63	Win
Bishop Noll	65	51	Loss
Hanover Central	29	45	Win
Hammond Gavit	38	37	Loss
Griffith	59	45	Loss
Hammond	69	46	Loss
Lake Station	24	39	Win
Whiting	36	52	Win
Calumet	61	54	Loss
Highland	52	38	Loss
Hammond Morton	72	50	Loss
Andrean	61	38	Loss
North Newton	44	42	Loss
Crown Point	59	29	Loss
Kankakee Valley	53	47	Loss
Wheeler	70	56	Loss
Lake Central	55	34	Loss



Question: What was the funniest moment during this year's basketball season?
Rich Rygiewicz: When Justin Bales fell on his face dribbling the ball with no one around him.



Question: What will you miss the most from this year's season?
Mike Lopez: The seniors!



Question: What do you feel was your major benefit to the team this past season?
Steve Northrop: I kept the bench warm.



The team (l to r) Standing: Coach Funston, Jason Quanstrom, Jeremy Schares, Steve Northrop, Steve Harker, James Dickinson, Rich Rygiewicz, Eric Anderson, Andrew Stiener, Josh Payton, Lindsey French, Lesley Koza, Coach Birmingham, Lynette Kregel. Front Row: Ryan Seydel, Justin Bales, Eric Decker, Jason Harper, Marc Keilman.

Girls Cross Country

The 2000-2001 girls cross country team went "Nuts for Naumo" when he told them that they were going to Semi-State!! Not just one person was taking the trip the whole team was going. It took the team a lot of hard work and dedication to make the type of impact that they did make. So far, they hope to make it all the way to state next year as a team. They had a loss of a few seniors last season, but after a slow start and a great deal of misfortune. The girls pulled it out in the end and they had an awesome season. The girls placed in the top at the Sectional meet and the Regional meet to make it all the way to the New Prarie Semi State. Sarah Smith and Toni Clapp were a couple of the top finishers for the year. There is an abundance of promising talent for the upcoming years for much future success in the years to come. Congratulations on a great accomplishment this year.

- Brandie Olivotto



Question: What was your most memorable moment?
Katie Giglo: Basically the whole season because we made it so far.



Question: What was your favorite meet of the season?
Sarah Smith: The whole season was really great. I enjoyed every meet.



Question: What is your personal quote of the season?
Rachael Stiener: "Who let the dogs out"



a. Huddling up together before a meet is a tradition for the girls.

b. Desiree Dandurand pushing ahead of a Merriville runner.

c. Around the turn and out of the woods, Toni Clapp is way ahead of the pack behind her.

d. On your mark, Get set, Go! and the girls are off!

e. Making her way around the course, Brooke Morgan is having a great run.





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f. After another record finish an exhausted Toni Clapp makes her way to the finish line.
g. Posing for a picture perfect shot at sectionals where they advanced to regionals.
h.Taking a break in the tent Nicole and Natalie Manes and Sarah Smith all sit and wait for their next race.
i. Kelly Willis pushes ahead to finish her race with an impact.
j. Toni Clapp was high finisher this season.



Captains Amanda Mitsch, Racael Stiener, and KatieGiglo provided much needed leardship for the young team. All three of these girls were seniors this year and they will be missed greatly by all the underclassmen next season. Also pictured here are Hania Nammari, Desiree Dandurand, Adrian Gross, and Amy Craven. (They were not captains this season)

Coach Naumowich

-Has been coaching and teaching at lhs for 21 years
-Loves to teach history but also likes the personal side of psychology
-Has one child who is 15 years old
-Favorite sports team is the Green Bay Packers



"We set the standard in 2000 the 2001 team has a lot of pressure to suceed put on them"
"Katie,Rachael, and Amanda had great leadership during this seaspon and they will be greatly missed"
"The Few, The Brave and The Proud."
-Coach Chuck Naumowich



Question: What was the funniest moment of the season?
Desiree Dandurand: "When the twins and I threw acrons at each other and Naumo got mad."



Question: What was the worst moment of the season?
Natalie Manes: The worst meet I had was Semi State because i got sick in the woods.



Question: What was your most memorable moment of the season?
Sarah Smith: When we were told we were going to Semi State.

Overall Record-7-13-0

Lowell Wins: Calumet,Hammond Gavit, Munster, Hebron, River Forest, Andrean, North Newton

Lowell Losses: Merriville, Griffith, Rensellear, Marion Catholic, Rich South, Highland, Lafayette Jeff, Kankakee Valley

At the Sectionals race the girls advanced to regionals where they placed 5th out of 10 teams which also gave them a spot to advance to Semi State, they placed 20th out of 20 teams

Below: Pictured Left to Right Coach Naumowich, Desiree Dandurand, Amanda Mitsch, Katie Giglo,Toni Clapp, Kelly Willis, Natalie Manes, Sarah Smith, Sarah Martin, Nicole Manes



Boys Cross Country

The 2000-2001 cross country season started off slower than usual ,but after a handful of injuries and the loss of two stars (Dustin Blink and Matt O' Hare) they still accomplished a well- fought season. The team took their season and ran with it as far as they could, which ultimately ended up at Semi State, which shocking everyone, including the guys themselves. The team finished 2nd at Sectionals, 3rd at Regionals, and 17th at Semi State. Eric Holley quoted that"This year everyone stepped it up to the next level in order to succeed. there season ended short in hopes of going ot state but next year they hope to make as far as state champs they had an outstanding overall season. some of the teams top placers this season were Eric Holley, Tristen Martin, Adam Willis, and Vince Wagner. They placed in the top at these meets against Hebron and River Forest, The Lowell Invite, The Jeff Invite they came in second place. The Guys had 64 points in Conference and placed 2nd out of 13 teams. Congratulations guys on a GREAT SEASON. Lots of luck next season.

-Brandie Olivotto
-Hania Nammari

Question: What was your most memorable moment?

Jayson Martin: Placing tenth in conference this year.



Question: Did the team have any special things to remember the season by?

Vince Wagner: We had a team song it was "Come Sail Away" by Styx.



Question: What was your worst meet of the season?

Eric Holley: Rensellear was the worst meet of the season because losing to this team was huge concern for the rest of the season.





a Mike O'Hare running at his best to finish the race.

b. Adam Willis placed high in many of the meets.

c. Vince Wagner striving toward the finish line at the Lowell Invitational.

d. Tristen Martin quoted "I feel that the cross country team did well with the loss of our top varsity runners."

e. Eric Holley's most memorable moment of the season was the New Prarie Semi State because the whole team finally realized what they had accomplished.

















f. The guys are getting ready to start another race.
g Adam Sampson is striving towards a finish line.
h. Tristen and Mike are running together towards the end.



Vince Wagner said that after four years of cross country he doesnt know what he is going to do with out Coach Thomas and his team.
Eric Holley said the funniest moment of the season was when Tristen go yelled at by the starter for calling him "Buddy"
Adam Willis was the other captain for the 2000-2001 season.

Coach
Thomas

--->23 year coaching veteran of LHS
--->Favorite team: The Bulls
--->Favorite class: Construction I
--->Graduate of Portage High School; went to Indiana State; earned a track and field scholarship; earned 8 varsity letters; favorite event...steeplechase (2 ISU school records)



***Which seniors will you miss the most?*
Adam Willis, Tristen Martin, and Vince Wagner.
***Most memorable moment?*
Sectional and Regionals, because the girls cross country had a chance to be there also.
***What were your favorite meets of the season?*
Conference meets because they were very close.



Question: What was your favorite moment of the season?

Nathan Long: When he finally ran varsity at Gavit.



Question: What was your personal quote of the season?

Eric Stewart: Try hard and dont give up



Question: What was your most memorable moment of the season?

Nick Parente: Just hanging out with my team we are like family. just about the whole season was memorable.

Final Tallies

Gavit Invite August 2, 2000 4th place 87 points
August 30,2000 2nd place 41 points
August 2000 2nd place 38 points
September 12,2000 2nd place 39 points
Lowell Invite September 16,2000 2nd place 93 points
Highland Invite August 2000 9 th place 206 points
Jeff Invite September 30, 2000 2nd place 64 points
October 3,2000 2nd place 28 points
Conference 2nd place 64 points
Sectionals October 14,2000 2nd place 56 points
Semi State October 28, 2000 17th place 390 points



The 2001 Lowell High School Boys Cross Country Team (Below/Left to Right): (Front Row) Mike O'Hare, Nick Parente, and Kyle Young. (Middle/Left to Right): Nathan Long, Jake Cummins, Eric Mylnarczyk, and Eric Stewart. (Back Row/ Left to Right): Vince Wagner, Adam Willis, Coach Bob Thomas, Eric Holley, andTristen Martin.

Varsity Softball

The Varsity softball team started off their season a little rusty. Going into the first two weeks the softball team lost to tough teams, Valparaiso with only one hit, Portage they had six errors, Munster they lost in the last inning when a wild pitch went by the catcher, and Hobart there was only one error but couldn't manage to scrap enough runs. As the season went on the team started to come together, but not enough to beat Hanover and Griffith. On April 23, 2001 the whole Lake County area was shocked when they beat Lake Central 4-1. This was the turning point for the girls. After taking Lake Central down they won the Highland Tourney beating Hobart extra innings in the championship game 9-8. Merrillville has always been a big game for them. They went out there and beat Merrillville in another close game 5-4. All season the softball team beat teams by only one or two runs.

Sectionals was a big chance for the girls show their opponents what they were made of. They played Munster their first game and wanted it more than ever. The first inning Lowell scored a run to make a 1-0 game, but not enough to go home with a win. In the 3rd inning both Lowell and Munster scored making the score 2-2. The whole game was a hard fight for both teams. The game went seven innings but Lowell just couldn't pull it off.

The year came to an end with tears rolling down their faces. The seniors Erica O'Connor, Eva Slinn who was named 3rd team All State, 1st Team All Conference and was chosen to play in the All Star game, Liz Blankenbeckler, Tonya Thompson, Courtney Schuttrow was honorable mention, Sami Rader, and Emily Iliff left with great memories of the bus rides, the tough games they won, and most of all the friends they made along the way. -Liz Blankenbeckler

***Question:* What was your most memorable moment?**
A: We traveled two hours to McCutcheon and never got to play because a tornado and then ended up on the bus for five hours. That bus ride was where we came up with Snake Tip.- Rachel Wielgos



***Question:* What was the funniest moment?** A: We were having pitching practice at the barn and Liz Blankenbeckler, our catcher decided to try and pitch. When she let go of the ball it went soaring over the rafters and almost broke a light bulb.- Courtney Schuttrow



***Question:* What was your most memorable game?** A: My most memorable game was the Lake Central game because we weren't suppose to win but we did, and I got to play.-Tonya Thompson





Picture to your left-Seniors Tonya Thompson, Eva Slinn, and Erica O'Connor are three up three down no messin around.
a) Junior Katie Sullivan, playing first base gets in position to field a ground ball cleanly. b) Senior Erica O'Conner is really not sleeping on the job, but yelling really loud she and senior captain Eva Slinn were the cheerleaders on the team c) Senior Sami Rader normally plays outfield, but on this rare occasion she is playing 2nd base with no fear in her eyes. d) Junior Rachel Huseman has drool coming down her chin as she looks for her pitch "Bring it on". e) Senior Courtney Schuttrow focuses hard enough on the catchers glove to burn a whole in it.





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f) Senior Emily Illif takes a huge lead off hoping she doesn't get thrown out.
g) Junior Rya Nord helps warm up the pitcher, she makes a pretty good catcher hehe!
h) Senior Liz Blankenbeckler throws it around after a strike out by Rachel Wielgos.
i) Sophomore Tiffany Meyers "Whiffy" moved up to Varsity to contribute to the team.
j) Junior Rachel Wielgos ready to release a rocket ball.



I had a lot of fun this year with all the girls...from softball sleepovers and the Battle of Crazy Mole, to winning the Highland tourney, bus rides, and Snakelip. This year started off kind of slow at first, but I knew that we could be a good team. We improved so much and beat some quality teams. I'm gonna miss playing with everyone. I wish I had another year to look forward to.-Eva Slinn

I had a so much fun playing with these girls. The best thing was riding on the bus where we came up with Snake Tip and I had the sling-shot wars with the cars on away games. I'm really going to miss the girls a lot. We had some great memories together.-Abby Ellis

Coach Iussig

Name: Pete Iussig
Age: 45
Occupation: History teacher at LMS
of years playing softball:not provided
of years coaching softball:not provided
of years coaching at LHS:not provided



*All Conference Selections *

1st team
Eva Slinn
Abby Ellis

2nd team
Rachel Huseman

Honorable Mention
Courtney Schuttrow
Katie Sullivan



Question: **What great play was made that stuck out the most in your mind?**A: During the Highland Tournament in the Championship game against Hobart centerfielder Eva Slinn threw a rocket home to Rachel Huseman who was blocking the plate to stop a run from scoring.-Liz Blankenbeckler



Question: **Who was the most motivational person?**
A:Coach Chancellor **Phat Dawg**, he really got us going -Erica O'Connor



Question: **What did you think about the "Thumper Club"**
A:It made me want to be a better hitter so I could be in the club.-Tiffany Meyers

Overall Record
20-7

Lowell Wins: Chesterton 3-1, Kankakee Valley 5-0, Bishop Noll 5-3, Hammond Gavit 5-1, Hammond Clark 11-0,Lake Central 4-1, Hammond 14-1, Lake Station 4-1, Highland Tournament, Calumet 0-0, Highland 3-1, Hammond Morton 4-0, Andrean 3-2, Boone Grove 16-2, Crown Point 3-2

Lowell Losses: Valparaiso 0-6, Portage 4-9, Munster 2-3, Hanover Central 0-2, Griffith 5-10, Whiting 1-2, Benton Central 1-0 (Sectionals Munster 5-4)



Back row left to right: Assisant Coach Tammy Fejes, Niki Hanas, Emily Illff, Katie Sullivan, Abby Ellis, Head Coach Pete Iussig, Rachel Huseman, Rachel Wielgos, Courtney Schuttrow, Rya Nord, Assistant Coach Jim Chancellor, Front row left to right: Manager Teresa Lenzo, Sami Rader, Erica O'Connor, Eva Slinn, Tonya Thompson, Liz Blankenbeckler, and Manager Jessica Lukasik

Baseball

Whether is it was a finely pitched ball game or a homerun or two, the Lowell High School Baseball team did a fine job this year. Led by Coach Hess, the boys enjoyed a few winning streaks that added-up to a very respectable record. Some of the highlights included a 3-3 tie with baseball powerhouse Boone Grove, a 21-4 drubbing of Calumet, and a 9-0 shutout over Bishop Noll.









Left: A view of the dug-out. Note how the boys show good sportsmanship as they stand and cheer on their teammates.

a) Keith Powers gets ready to "power" the ball over the left field fence

b) Pitcher Jason Harper

c) Conference on the mound. Pictured are catcher Shaun Porento, Coach Hess, and Jason Harper.









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d) Hitting star Ryan Basham shows he can field, too.

e) Steven Yeagley, Greg Smith, and Andy Vassar show good sportsmanship as they congratulate the other team



First baseman Jason Butchart gets in ready position.





Coach
Bays



Coach
Becker



Coach
Hess







Record: 12-16-1

Lowell Wins: Hanover Central, Hammond Gavit (2), Hammond, Lake Station, Whiting, Calumet, E.C. Central, Hammond Morton, Bishop Noll, North Newton

Lowell Losses: Munster, Hammond Clark, Boone Grove, Griffith (2), Bishop Noll, LaCrosse, Merrillville (2), Highland, Hammond Morton, Andrean, Lake Central, Hebron, Kankakee Valley, Crown Point

Tie: Boone Grove

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Gymnastics

This year's gymnastics team had a lot to be proud of. The team, composed of four seniors, three sophomores, and two freshman, finished with a record of 1-8, but there were many accomplishments. Against Portage, the Lowell gymnasts placed first, second, and third on beam. In addition, while competing against Portage, Lowell scored a season high 98.3; which was higher than any score in the previous four seasons. The girls improved their team standing by two places at the Portage sectional. All the gymnasts and managers were on the first semester honor roll. These nine girls proved that they are strong on and off the mats. Coach Winland is keeping a positive outlook for the future. Although there are four seniors, she stated that "the underclass talent is great." I am sure if they all stay focused, they will have another outstanding season. ~Shelley Vandercar and BethWeeks



Becky Balitz



Katie Vanes



Katie Arnold, Chrissy Grabinski, Nicole Cummins, Ashley Miller, and Erin Viers



Left: Jessica Yates finishes her spectacular beam routine with a beautiful dismount.

A) Becky Balitz, Erin Viers, Ashey Miller, Nicole Cummins, and Jessica Yates discuss their upcoming events.
B) Katie Vanes gracefully pauses in her outstanding floor routine.
C) Racheal Nida anticipates on her next move while performing an excellent cast away.



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D) Katie Arnold puts forth all her power to complete her exuberant vault routine.
E) Here Ashley Miller sprints into her tumbling pass.
F) Jessica Yates awes the crowd with her amazing agility.
G) Katie Arnold and Chrissy Grabinski watch patiently as their teammate finishes her routine.
H) Katie Arnold, Jessica Yates, Katie Vanes, and Racheal Nida gather around the chalk tray to prepare for the uneven bars.



The team captains were Chrissy Grabinski and Erin Viers. Here Chrissy pauses in her beam routine to concentrate on her next move. Erin Viers chats with the coaches. Erin was unable to compete the last half of the season due to a dislocated shoulder.

Coach Winland



Name: Lynn Winland
Occupation: Math Teacher
of years coaching at LHS: 6
Other Coaching Positons: Gymnatics Plus, Indiana University Gymnastics Camp, Portage AAU Gymnastics Camp

"This past season has been tough and thrilling at the same time. Lowell Red Devil gymnastics has turned the corner from mediocre to a source of pride."



Assistant Coach Becker



Manager
Jen Ferry



Rachael Nida



11a. Jessica Yates is caught in the middle of a flip during her floor routine.
11b. After the gymnastics meet Erick Decker tries to repeat some tricks he saw earlier in the evening. Unfortunately, he did not do as well as the girls did.



Top row: Ashley Miller, Erin Viers, Chrissy Grabinski, Katie Arnold
Middle Row: Coach Winland, Becky Ballitz, Katie Vanes, Jessica Yates, Rachel Nida, Nicole Cummins, Coach Becker
Bottom Row: Managers Carol Cutler and Jen Ferry

Cheerleading 2001

Cheerleading is a very upbeat sport. The girls are pressured to do a lot, like making signs for the other teams and keeping the crowd in the game. There is so much that cheerleaders do that nobody sees. They are hard workers and achieve the goals that they set for themselves. To be a cheerleader it takes strength, flexibility, and trust. They had a great year, accomplished a lot, with the incoming girls, everyone got a long and the girls took the seasons and made them the best that they could. After their 3 day camp in the summer, the girls learned new dances, cheers, and stunts. They also had clinics for the younger girls to come and spend time with the highschool cheerleaders. Prizes, certificates, and spirit sticks were awarded to the girls. All together, the cheerleaders should get a lot of respect and thank you's because they really do put forth a lot of time and effort to make their community happy. NICE JOB LADIES AND THANK YOU FOR EVERYTHING!!!!!!!!

Katie Arnold



Nicole Chermak



Holley Denton





(1) All the girls are in the gym during a pep rally showing off the stunts they have worked really hard for.

The bottom four pictures are the seniors with their parents on senior night.





















(F) Emily Rosinko with her parents on the football field senior night.
(G) Holley Denton, Abby Dahl, and Caroline Parilac posing for a picture during a football game.
(H) Ashley Caudle and Caroline Parilac are cheering at a JV football game.
(I) Lauren Levin, Emily Rosinko, and Rachel Nida are in stunts they have worked hard for. Lauren and Rachel are showing off their libs.
(J) The girls are participating in the Labor Day parade. They marched down Commercial doing different dances.



(left) Here are the 6 senior girls standing by each other one last time after cheering for the football game on senior night.

Froshman for basketball:
Lauren Levin, Jessica Gray, Tina Arnold.
Jennifer Lenzo, Kristin Alberts.



JV for basketball:
(back) Abby Dahl, Ashley Caudle, Christa Lexow.
(front) Natale Manes, Nicole Manes.



Varsity for basketball:
(back) Holley Denton, Teresa Lenzo, Caroline Parilac.
(front) Shylah Hulsey, Shelley Hardesty.





Chrissy Grabinski



Linda Kiszka



Emily Rosinko

A mixture of the JV and Varsity are standing with a run-through waiting for the boys to come running out. Mrs. Blanford designed most of the run-throughs for the Varsity football team this year.



Dancing In Harmony

Lowell's 2000-2001 Pom Squad

"When you get the chance to sit it out or dance, dance." This year the 2000-2001 Poms squad had a great start. In the summer they held a car wash at Pizza Hut, and a UCA dancer came to teach them new dances. At the beginning of the season they painted Beat Off Music's store windows for Homecoming, and won the shopping cart decorating contest held during a pep rally in the gym. The money they received helped them purchase gold and black poms to match the new one piece jazz uniforms they had purchased. With Darlene Smith again this year as their coach, they were headed in a great direction. The Pom squad would most likely be found at the old Oak Hill's Gym on Monday and Wednesday nights from 6:00p.m until 7:30p.m. The Pom Squad performs at half-time during theBoy's and Girl's Varsity basketball games. Each rountine was learned and practiced repeatedly. A Christmas party was held at Coach Smith's house where the girls exchanged gifts. In Febuary the girls held their second annual "Pom Clinic" and around 120 girls participated. Participants were from grades 1st through 8th and they came for the whole day. The girls learned a dance to Christina Aguilaria's "Come On Over" made up my some of the pom members themselves. For lunch all the girls were served Pizza Hut, cookies, chips, and of course McDonald's orange drink. Every girl received a trophy and black t-shirt at the end of the day, and all girls who participated were invited back to dance at the Pom squad's last performance during the Boy's Varsity Basketball game. The girls did a great job. The 2000-2001 Pom Squad was cut in size from last year's members,but they accomplished just as much and more. Although many do not consider Poms a sport, the girls do just as much and work just as hard. Overall, the Pom members have a good time dancing and working together. Yes, of course getting a little recognition helps. This year the season had a great start and ended even better because of all of the cherishing memories they will take with them. Good Luck doing just as much next year! And remember: When you have the chance to dance, get up and dance.



Seniors, Christina Kincaid, Nicole Rowley, and Kelly Quanstrom pose for the last picture taken of them in their Poms uniforms. All three members became closer friends this year. Look at those smiles!

Alexis Wolters: I would just like to say thank you to Mrs. Smith and all the Seniors for their support and their help in teaching us dances. They all really motivated the squad this year.



Michelle Smith: My favorite memory of Poms is when we performed the dance "My Superman." We got a lot of compliments and I think it was many member's favorite.



Anna Reiling: I enjoyed the camp we did. I love to dance, and being in Poms gave me that opprotunity.



d. There's nothing like getting up in the morning coming into downtown Lowell, to paint? Riiight. For spirit week Michelle Smith, Nicole Rowley, Kelly Quanstrom, Anna Reiling, and Mascot Marissa Smith took time out of their Saaturday mornings to come and paint Beat Off Music's store windows. They were nice enough to take a break from their paintbrushes and pose for this picture.
e. The girls received a lot of positive compliments on the windows. The Pom members said they couldn't have done it without the help of Nicole Rowley's mom. Nicole's mom supplied the girls with painting supplies. Here they stand with their finished poduct. Picasso would be so proud.

" We hope it rains so we don't have to come back and wash all this paint off." --The squad















f. The winning Poms shopping cart was decorated with an umbrella, a radio, poms, hanging footballs,paper, glitter, and its own riding devil.
g. A car wash was held at Pizza Hut by the members for some extra cash. They had time to pose in the sun for this picture.
h Two Gossip queens are caught in the act, Nicole Overturf and Alexis Wolters.
i. A must, practicing before the game,
j. Waiting for the cue to bust a move.



"Senior Nicole Rowley was voted captain of this year's 2000-2001 pom squad. This was Nicole's second year on the squad. Being captain really was a great honor to me.I enjoyed working with all the girls. I think we had a great year."



Lowell's Pom squad voted senior Kelly Quanstrom as this year's co-captain. Kelly has been on the squad three years. "Dancing is the best. I really enjoyed performing. You need to be confident,a smile means everything. Having fun is all that really matters."

Coach Info:

Name- Darlene Smith
Years of coaching- 2
On the squad- "A squad that danced in harmony."
Practices- "A lot of energy, strategy, and hard work, and team talks. The girls worked together to present the best they had to give."
Comments- "At the car wash we held, a Semi-Truck pulled up.What a chore. I never dreamed the day thar that would have happened. I thought my car was a chore."
"I really enjoyed coaching all of you girls. I hope everyone has a special memory to hold onto as a member of the, LHS Pom Squad. Thanks for a wonderful season." ALWAYS- D A N C E



Christina Kincaid: Nicole and Kelly were great captains they really had their act together. This was my first year in poms and I'm glad it was made memorable.



Nicole Overturf: Poms was a great adventure this year, everyone worked together so well this year and it showed excellent teamwork.



Sara Bruce: I had a lot of fun being in Poms this year. The clinic for the little girls went really well. The whole squad did a really good job this year.



The 2000-2001 Pom Squad includes: Coach Smith, Christina Kincaid, Nicole Rowley, Kelly Quanstrom, Cori Hildebrandt, Michelle Smith, Nicole Overturf, Amber Wendel, Sarah Cales, Amanda Smith, Anna Reiling, Sara Bruce, Sarah Maloney, and Alexis Wolters.

Varsity Wrestling

According to coach Mark Line, "wrestling is much more than technical skills, it teaches life skills more than any other sport."

This season theLowell Wrestling team won 18 meets and lost 16, but many Red Devil wrestlers experienced the bittersweet taste of victory and success. Chris Kimbrell became a state qualifier and Brandon Pulley, Jacob Hamm, and Tyler Reed were only a match away from qualifying for state. Steven Maloney led the team in escapes, while Brad Lippie led in reversals. The team was very young and inexpreienced at the beginning of the season, but Lowell Wrestling has a very bright future. - Tonya Thompson*-

What was your most memorable wrestling moment?



Chris Kimbrell: when I became a state qualifier



Mark Moosmiller: when we won state last year



Jacob Hamm: gaining the confidence and experience needed to be one match away from state qualifier.





top: Bob Wragg clearly dominates his opponent. Bob was was 25-18 this year
bottom: Chris Kimbrell working his way towards the pin.

Below: a. Brad Lippie at the start of hhis match. Brad was 22-22 season and career. Brad also came in 5th at the Valpo duals and LAC he came in 3rd. b. Freshman coach Jacob Beck giving his wrestler a little helpful advice before his match. c. Robbie Musgrave trying to avoid the pin.



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above: d. Just a little pep talk before a big meet. e. Assistant Coach Dan Ping and Eric Stewart taking a break to pose for the camera. Eric was 0-1 this season. f. George Politakis making sure to make the right move. George was 2-3 for the season and 7-10 in his career. g. Robbie Musgrave getting a little lesson from Coach Beck.

State Qualifier



Chris Kimbrell: state qualifier
season: record- 42 and 8 IHSAA sectional and regional champion
career: record- 104 and 62
Lowell Duals champion
LAC champion

Coach Mark Line



Mr. Line has been coaching for 7 years, within those 7 years he has earned such awards as Assistant Coach for Braggin' rights team, Assistant Coach for Indiana All-Star team, Conference Coach of the Year,and Indiana High School Coach of the Year in 2000. In his 7 year career he was selected as Alumni Coach of the Year by the University of Indianapolis and he was inducted into the "Greyhound Club", the Univeristy's Athletic Hall of Fame.

" I love watching my wrestlers take the life skills that wrestling teaches and become successful student-athletes and individuals in life. It gives me great joy in helping make quality people.

What was your most memorable moment this season?



Bob Wragg: when Steve Maloney was down 14-1 and by a miracle of God rolled the kid over and pinned him for the win.



Andreas Lexelius: when I won my first match.



Kyle Midkiff: when I won the conference championship.

Scorebox

TEAM ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

WON: 18 meets

LOST: 16 meets

Valpo Duals: 6th

Calumet Invite:10th

Lowell Duals: 3rd

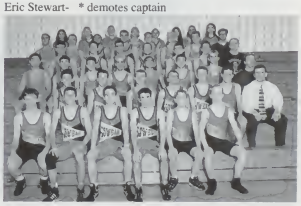
Mishawaka Invite: 23rd

Lake Station Duals: 3rd

LAC: 4th

IHSAA Sectional: 2nd

2000-2001 Red Devil Wrestling Team
row 6: Managers- Jill Bourrell, Alyson Gross, Aimee Poleski, Kristin Hansen, Laura Morache, Donna Crowley, Hania Nammari, Amber Huffman row 5: Shane Crowley, Jason Montoya, Brad Lippie, Bob Wragg*, Garrett Thiel, Andreas Lexelius, Dustyne Gales, Asst. COach Ken Sheets row 4: Kyle Kras, Chris Kimbrell*, Cody VanDeursen, A.J. Schmelter, Chris Garza, Tom Mitsch, Asst. Coach Dan Ping. row 3: Caset Rosner, Robbie Musgrave, Dan Poynter, Ken Franz, Korey Klidaras, Shane Gales, Scott Keithley, Freshman Coach Jake Beck. row 2: Eric Mlynarczyk, Mark Moosmiller*, Steve Maloney, George Politakis, Brandon Pulley, Jordan Graegin, Head Varsity Coach Mark Line. row 1: Ryan Miller, Matt Puskar*, Tyler Reed*, Jacob Hamm*, Tom Venditti, Chad Wietbrock. Not pictured: Kyle MIdkiff, Eric Stewart- * demotes captain



Girl's Tennis

This year's girl's tennis team had an outstanding year. They put forth a great amount of effort and had a very good season. Although the team had five graduating seniors this year, the outlook looks very promising. "This year's J.V. team set the school record for wins for the second straight year", said Mr. Gianotti," Last year they were 12-3. This year they were 13-2. The two J.V. standouts were freshmen Katie Rumisek and Katie Sciackitano."

The biggest accomplishment this year would have to go to senior Christi Brill, who this spring made a trip down to state. Ending her season with a record of 15-7 was better than what Coach Gianotti ever expected of her: "Because she was a first year single's player, I thought a 10-10 record would be excellent." During the regular season Christi defeated players from Lake Central, Crown Point, and Highland. Although she was defeated at state she still had a great season.

This year's tennis team worked hard as a group and that hard work paid off. Ending the season with a 11-8 record and winning second at the Lake Athletic Conference, they really showed the true meaning of teamwork.

-Jenny Kleefisch



OHHH....Hey girl! It's senior Jen Kern looking hot in her sun glasses.



Senior Holley Denton is showing off her moves on the court.



Sophomore Emily Huber is ready to dish out a mean serve to her opponent.



Left: Congratulations Christi Brill for an outstanding Season! You did a wonderful job!

a. The team has a talk with Mr. Gianotti and Mr. Zandstra before a match.
b. Senior Emily Rosinko is waiting to return the ball.
c. Sportsmanship is what tennis is all about. Here Jessica Pillar and Emily Rosinko are shaking hands with their opponents.
d. Senior Steph Schulfer is getting ready to return a serve.
e.Sophomores Erin Kleefisch and Amiee Poleski are checking out the competition before stepping out onto the courts!













f. Doubles team Steph Schulfer and Holley Denton are getting ready for the next set. These girls really worked hard together.



g. Junior Jessica Pillar is showing off her style and her tennis moves.



h. Here is freshman Kaite Sciackitano showing the camera her goofy side. Katie was a great asset to the team this year.



i. Junior Meredith Cusic is preparing to serve one over the net.



j. Mr. Zandstra and Christi Brill are discussing the strategy for the next set.



This year's girls tennis team getting ready to take on their next victims.

Coach Gianotti

Name: Joseph Gianotti
Occupation: English Teacher
College: University of Indianapolis
of years coaching tennis: Boys: 4
Girls: 2
of years coaching at LHS: 4
Interests: Reading, listening to music and going to the movies.



" This was the most fun I've ever had coaching because these girls cared so much for each other. If we continue to build positive attitudes and self-esteem, everything will fall into place."



Sophomore Katie Fedler is concentrating on her next shot.



Freshman Katie Rumisek is shaking hands with her opponent.



Sophomore Kim Goodrich is starting to switch sides with her opponent for the next set.

Overall Record: 11-8

Lowell Defeated: Calumet, Andrean, Gavit, Griffith, Bishop Noll, Hobart, Highland, Gavit and Kankakee Valley.

Lowell Losses: Lake Central, Crown Point, Munster, Merillville, Plymouth and Elkhart Central.

Lake Athletic Conference: Second place.



Below: The 2000-2001 LHS Girls Tennis team (top l-r): Katie Fedler, Christine Fik, Coach Gianotti, Emily Huber, Katie Rumisek, Amiee Poleski, Erin Kleefisch, Mary Taylor, Meghan Steuer, Kim Goodrich, Coach Zandstra, Katie Sciackitano, Beth Ferry. (middle l-r): Mgr. Rachel Nida, Jenny Kern, Emily Rosinko, Holley Denton, Christi Brill, Steph Schulfer, Mgr. Jessica Yates. (sitting l-r): Jessica Pillar, Meredith Cusic, Caroline Vaandrager.

Boys Tennis

Upon finishing the 2000 season with an 8-8 team record, the boys tennis team could not help but feel a little disappointed. With Derek Hoots (number one singles player) and Nick Williams (number two doubles player) both injured, the team's dreams and aspirations of a Sectional title began to fade. Aside from unreached goals, the season had many highlights including being ranked fifth in the area by the Post Tribune with an 8-3 record and beating Highland, a match they label as their biggest win of the year. Although the team lost their last five matches, many individual accomplishments are worthy of recognition. Derek Hoots completed his season with a 15-5 record, while the doubles team of Marc Keilman and Nick Williams finished with a 10-7 record. The number one doubles team of Justin Bales and Dustin Hudak had another great year with a 17-4 season, along with being named All District Honorable Mention, All State, and fourth in district.

Determined to improve steadily as individuals and as a team, most players are taking year-round private group lessons and practicing as often as possible. With all varsity lettermen returning for the 2001 season- plus the extra time these boys are putting in- it seems inevitable that they will achieve much success in the future. Coach Gianotti agrees saying, "Next season looks extremely promising. We're a goal-oriented team, we believe we have a real opportunity to dominate next year."

-Ashley Foster

Question: What was the highlight of your season?

Nick Williams: Probably getting injured, it made me take everything for what it is worth, and now I play like it is my last day because it might just be!



Question: What do you think the 2001 season will bring?

Ryan Brown & Derek Hoots: With all of our varsity members returning next season, we are expecting nothing less than a regional title. Our teamwork and perseverance will put us over the top.







Left: Chris Rosevear demonstrates perfect form.

a. Varsity player Derek Hoots (hidden underneath towel) and Ryan Brown anxiously await the results of the Crawfordsville tournament along with Coach Gianotti.
b. Once again, Derek Hoots looking *so* enthusiastic. Being MVP made Derek a vital part of the team.
c. Steven Naddy, better known as "Bud," attempts a volley.



a


b


c



d. The number one doubles team of Justin Bales and Dustin Hudak reflect after losing their first match of the season. Justin and Dustin did, however, end the season with the best record of the team.
e. JV player Cory Wietbrock celebrates after a winning shot.





Above: Cory Wietbrock, Nathan Wilbourn, Dustin Hudak, and Marc Keilman at the sports awards. Appropriately, Marc received the L-Club Leadership award that night.

Captain
Marc Keilman

- I have played tennis since the seventh grade.
- Volleyball is my second favorite sport.
- I never watch TV unless I am with my girlfriend.

Coach Gianotti

- I won a Dominoes Pizza Team Tennis Tournament with St. Joe's Mary Quasney in 1991.
- I've had exactly ten "serious" relationships in my life if you count Jenny McConnell when I was 14 and Cathy Foresta twice because there was someone else in between.
- I graduated Magna Cum Laude from the University of Indianapolis.
- I was voted Teacher's Pet as a senior in High School.
- I hit two homeruns in one baseball game when I was 14.
- I am currently an avid slow pitch softball player.
- My high score in bowling is a 272. I opened with seven strikes in a row.
- I was Editor-in-Chief of the University of Indianapolis' literary magazine, *Etchings*.



"Our regular season defeat against Highland was the biggest win of my coaching career. It put our program on the tennis map and gained the respect of area coaches."

-Joe Gianotti



Question: What was your most memorable moment?
Dustin Hudak: Definitely team meal at the Keilmans.



Question: What was your most memorable moment?
Marc Keilman: It would have to be when I hit the Chesterton kid with the ball on his serve.



Question: What was your most memorable moment?
Ryan Basham: When I beat Cory Wietbrock in a match- he has been playing tennis his whole life and this was only my first year.

Overall Record: 8-8

Lowell Wins: Kankakee Valley, 4-1; Griffith, 5-0; Chesterton, 4-1; Twin Lakes, 4-1; Hammond Gavit, 5-0; Highland, 3-2; Calument, 5-0; (Conference) Morton, 4-1; (JV Trny) 4th place; (Crawfordsville Trny) 4th place; Highland (Trny) 3rd place

Lowell Losses: Munster, 1-4; Andrean 1-4; Lake Central, 2-3; (Conference) Highland, 1-4; (Conference) Andrean, 0-5; Crown Point, 2-3; Merrillville, 0-5; (Sectional) Highland, 0-5



Below: (back row, left to right) Coach Gianotti, manager Jessica Pillar, Ryan Martin, Dustin Hudak, Nick Williams, Justin Bales, Marc Keilman, Ryan Brown, Derek Hoots, manager Cori Hildebrandt (front row) Steven Naddy, Matt Rosinko/Second Route, Nick Brill, Jon Newton, Nathan Wilbourn, Cory Wietbrock, Chris Rosevear

Varsity Girl's Track

The girls' track team had their most successful season in years. They finished second in the Lake Athletic Conference overall and first in the LAC 9/10. Their season ended with a 13-3 mark, and they finished fourth at sectionals. A positive outlook for the future lies ahead with this year's returning Co-MVP, Katrina Csepiga, along with the seven regional qualifiers, which consisted of all freshmen and sophomores.

The gilrs had many accomplishments this season. The 4 x 800 relay team, which consisted of freshmen Brooke Morgan, Toni Clapp, Becca Parilac, and sophomore, Sarah Smith, beat the school record and qualified for regionals. Two freshmen high jumpers, Lisa Schulfer and Jennie Blandford, also went on to regionals where Lisa finished seventh. These are a couple of the accomplishments the girls achieved, making their coaches proud this year.

-Eva Slinn

Question: What was your favorite event?
Desire Dandurand*:* the long jump event



Question: What was your main goal for this season?
Lauren Hopkins: to jump 17ft. in long jump and get under 13 seconds for my 100 dash.



Question: What are your goals for next year?
Katrina Csepiga: to make it out of sectionals in both hurdle events, break the 300m low hurdles, make the best out of my senior year, be a good leader, and make the coaches proud.

Below: The three senior track stars consisted of Rachel Stiener, Lauren Hopkins, and Jana Einfeldt. Rachel received the L-Club leadership award while Lauren received the Co-MVP award.







a. Lisa Schulfer finished as the number one high jumper with a height of 5'2".
b. Number 2 hurdler, Ashlee Davis, runs the 100 meter hurdle.
c. Lauren Hopkins sprints her way to victory.















d. Becca Parilac strides herself as she runs the 4 x 800 relay.
e. Brooke Morgan and Nicole Cummins get the hurdles ready before a home meet.
f. Desiree Dandurand sets herself on the blocks, getting ready to run the big race.
g. Freshman, Jennie Blandford, mentally prepares herself for her main event, the high jump.

Captains



"Our team had a lot of talent and unity this year. I was very honored to experience being a part of their lives." --Rachel Stiener

"This season, I think was awesome! All the girls were great. Being a captain made me feel like all the girls looked up to me. I am going to miss all the girls very much!." --Lauren Hopkins

Coach Naumowich



Name: Chuck Naumowich
Hometown: Kenosha, Wisconsin
High school: St. Joseph High School
Occupation: teacher, Varsity Girls track coach
Favorite hobby: running
Best memory this season: finishing second in the conference this year

"We had a quote throughout the season, "We want beef jerky not mac and cheese!" It refers to mental toughness!"
--Chuck Naumowich







Question: What was your most memorable moment?
Anna Reiling: It was probably the bus rides, that's what really brought us together.

Question: What was your most successful moment this year?
Katie Vanes: I was so excited when the measure on my long jump said 15'9 3/4"!

Question: What will you miss the most from this season?
Rachel Stiener: I will miss the smiling faces of my teammates.

Scorebox

Merrillville (Invite)	L	
Bishop Noll (Invite)	L	
Wheeler	L	
Crown Point	L	45-78
Hebron	W	78-43
Hobart	W	78-35
Andrean	L	66-72
Hammond Morton	W	66-18
Calumet	W	96-22
Hammond Gavit	W	96-31
Griffith	W	105-45
Lake Station	W	105-9
Bishop Noll	W	67-31
Highland	W	67-58
North Newton	W	73-28
Rensselaer	W	73-55
Wheeler	W	
Calumet (Invite)	L	
Kankakee Valley	L	45-75
North Judson	W	45-36
LAC	L	2nd of 13 (82)
LAC 9/10	W	1st of 11 (127)
Sectionals	W	4th of 11 (51)

Below: (Back row) left to right: Desiree Dandurand, Shelley Hardesty, Denita Weeks, Sarah Smith, Jane Powers, Stephanie Nasky, Britney Cellarius, Peyton Finley, Jen Lindemer, Michelle Smith, Amy Lee, Megan Jung, Danielle Equihua, Gina Hathaway, Mrs. Casey, Rebecca Parilac, Allison Ellis, Kelly Willis, Alysha Tomlins, Desiree Frigo, Lisa Schulfer, Jennie Blandford, Coach Naumo, Brooke Morgan, Toni Clapp, Anna Thompson, Katie Vanes, Nicole Cummins, Anita Blandford, Beth Benecki, Ashley Jurs, Jana Einfeldt, Rachel Stiener, Lauren Hopkins, Ashlee Davis, Katrina Csepiga.



Boys Track



Ryan Kersey



John Kuiper



B.J. Lippie
&
Matt Storey

The 2000-2001 Lowell High School Boys Track team had a solid year. Led by Coach Line and Coach Kilmer, the boys were more than prepared to take on any opponent. The yearbook staff regrets that no information regarding individual and team statistics was provided.



Left: Everyone lines up at the starting line anticipating the start of the race.

Below:
A-Scott Keithley gets a head start to clear the pole vault.
B-Jayson Martin is in check with his speed as he runs for the gold.
C- David Bloch gets great height in the long jump.
D-Danny Baietto gets ready to see how far he can really jump.

















Above:
E- Chad Weitbrock uses his strength to get over the pole vault.
F-B.J. Beckrich sees how far he can really jump.
G-Tristen Martin paces himself as he catches his partner to pass the baton.
H- Nick Brill heaves himself over the pole vault.



Eric Holley goes the distance to win the race for his team.





Kenny Franz



Dave Kuiper



Chris Woodworth



Below:
1st Row-J. Dean, D. Schoon, R. Bryant, S. Anderson, C. Wietbrock, J. Holder, D. Ballas
2nd Row- K. Kilmer, C. Woodworth, E. Stewart, unknnown, B. Beckrich, D. Baietto, G. Teal, C. Bult, M. Line
3rd Row-M. O'Hare, T. Martin, J. Sheive, E. Carlson, J. Kuiper, S. Naddy, J. Crocker
4th Row-K. Franz, B. McLellan, J. Favors, J. Martin, C. Rosner, K. Hamm, M. Storey, K. Brown
5th Row-C. Marzotto, A. Holley, Unknown, J.Quanstrom, B. Lippie, B. Wragg, S. Crowley, J. Bourrell
6th Row- E. Holley, R. Kersey, L. Lukasik, N. Parente, A. Willis, A. Dandurand, D. Kuiper, B. Pulley

Lettermen's Club

The Letterman's Club has done a great amount of postive things in the 2000-2001 school year. They were in the labor day parade and then they had a carwash to raise money for many of the scholarships that are given to athletes at the end of the year. They had a leadership conference with the 8th graders towards the end of the year to help them make an easier transitition to the high school. They also helped the special education kids and gave them awards at the end of their day with the Lettermen's Club officers. The Letterman's Club is the largest service organization inside the whole school. They are the people that you see working at the concession stands at the sporting events and the souvenir stands during the football and basketball season. They are people taking tickets in the spring for baseball and track. The Lettermen's Club has a program throughout the whole year that you sign up for at the first meeting, then you are that certain coach's secret pal throughout the year, and they finally get to meet you at the end of the year with a mouth-watering cook-out.
Mr. Don Bales is the sponsor of this fine club.

- Brandie Olivatto

Rachel Wielgos



Jenny Kern



Dave Kuiper



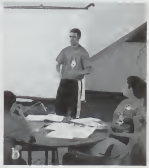


a. Melissa Bayer and Courtney Schuttrow are in deep thought as their group works on.

b. Guest speaked Erik Decker tells about his life during the leardship conference.

c. Erik Decker-yet again-sitting on a truck in front of Mi Ranchito









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Above:

F. The Lettermen's Club float in the labor day parade.

G. All the officers pose with the special ed kids after they are presented with awards.



The Lettermen's Club hosted their first leadership conference in the spring and ended up with a very good turn out.



Mr. Bales

Despite surgery this year, Mr. Bales was still his usual active, hard-working self.



Jessica Cooper



Ryan Seydel



Abby Ellis

Just a few highlights from the year:

-The adopt-a -coach program that ran smooth all year
- The leadership conference
- All the athletes help at sporting events
-The awards banquets
- And so much more!

Picture Below: The Lettermans club officers help out at a special education banquet.



dedicated to...

Bob Thomas

My 27 years here at Lowell High School have been great. The kids have been so great--that's what I'll miss the most, the kids. However, I'll still be around. My plans include helping out with sports like cross country and attending many other athletic events. I want to wish everybody all the best. My message to the kids is to always follow your dreams.



1984



1978



1989



1986



1988



1989



1990



2001

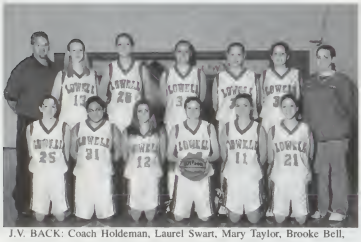


1999



2000

J.V./Freshman Girls Basketball



J.V. BACK: Coach Holdeman, Laurel Swart, Mary Taylor, Brooke Bell, Christi Bult, Kim Goodrich, Mgr. Julie Hacker. MIDDLE: Mary Erpelding, Megan Flores, Desiree Dandurand,Mackenzie Wietbrock, Natalie Hanas, Tiffany Meyers.



Freshman BACK:Jennifer Meyers, Rachel Voss, Desiree Frigo,Tammy Fejes. MIDDLE: Brittany Drazba,Makenzie Bales, Megan Bachinski. FRONT: Kate Sciackitano, Meghan Jung, Heather Stevens, Erin Kopka.



The Results

Junior Varsity
9-10

Freshmen
2-18

Kate Sciackitano



Heather Stevens



Rachel Voss



Desiree Frigo



Junior Varsity Boys Soccer



BACK: Jake Sewell,Ryan Huseman, Mike Mallzumels, Neil Marrow, John Wolters,Mgr. Brandie Olivotto. FRONT:Mgr. Dana Seramur, Cameron Blunt, Jake Hefner Jake Woodworth, Jeremy Schares, Lloyd Besaw, Mgr. Aimee Gearhart.

The Results

	US	THEM
Gavit	1	1
Crown Point	1	5
Laporte	1	6
Griffith	1	9
K.V.	2	3
Andrean	0	8
Chesterton	0	2
Munster	0	8

J.V./ Freshmen Football

The J.V. and Freshmen Football teams had a relatively good season. The J.V. team had a 3-4 record and the Freshman team with a 5-4 record. The teams had many great qualities this year, both on and off the field. The J.V. team helped the varsity players at practice, which left little or no time to practice themselves. The teams put in months of preparation for their season in the weight room and on the field. You can tell just by looking at this group of boys that they are a really determined team. Once they set out to do something they do it!



Freshman Team, BACK: Coach Miracle, Eric Raszewski, Jim Jeffries, Bob McLellan, Ryan Miller, Chris Marzotto, Justin Wiler, Sean Burton, Coach Holdeman MIDDLE: Mgr. Andrea Nemeth, Ryan Leoni, Jeff Starke, Nathan Ouf, Justin Henely, Joe Christensen, David Schoon, Asa Calloway, Rob Blackford, Mgr. Heidi Schantz FRONT: Zachary Beckrich, Chris Garza, Chuck Thompson, Martin Cardenas, John Huseman, Isaiah Mercado, Ed Overdorf, Vince Harding NOT PICTURED: Joshua Chermak, Billy Claus, Adam Holley, Michael Miller, Casey Rosner, Zachary Steiner



Andy Vassar

Junior Varsity

	US	THEM
Crown Point		
Hammond High		
South Newton	41	7
Andrean	13	14
Munster	7	21
Griffith		
Highland		
K.V.	40	0

Freshman

Crown Point	20	14
Andrean	22	7
Rensselaer		
K.V.		
Highland		
Griffith		
Hammond High	41	0
K.V.	22	0
Munster		



"Playing football was the best part of my freshman year."
- Casey Rosner

Number 51JasonMontoya shows what it is like to kick butt on the field!



Number 65 Mike Marszalek shows his great defensive skills.



The team gets in a huddle to find out what play they are going to do next.



Luke Lukasik holds the ball while Tim Sova gets ready for a field goal.



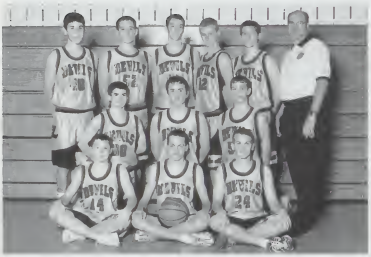








J.V. Boys Basketball



BACK: James Jefferies, Greg Johnson, Jason Corns, Jeremy Follid, Zach Stiener, and Coach Bishop
MIDDLE: Mike Stoner, Jon Newton, and Jake Haberlin
FRONT: Mike Miller, David Schoon, and Nate Oaf



BACK: Brian Sciackitano, Mike Lopez, Ryan Metz, Mark Bafia, Josh Stockstill, FRONT: Brian Stamper, Matt Roberts, Ryan Brown, Nathan Wilbourn, and Coach Funston

Overall Record: 15-4

Lowell Wins: Hebron, Kankakee Valley, Lake Central, Hammond Clark, North Newton, Hammond Gavit, Griffith, Hanover Central, Bishop Noll, Calumet, Hammond Morton, and Andrean.

Lowell Losses: Munster, Crown Point, Hammond, and Highland



Zach Stiener looks for the open man to pass to while he is being guarded.



Mike Miller goes up for another amazing freethrow.

Mike Miller



Nathan Wilbourn



Matt Roberts



The JV Team



Junior Varsity Volleyball

The Junior Varsity Volleybsll team ended their season with a record of 7-8-0, with a loss at home in a hard fought games to Valparaiso with a final score of 5-15, and 4-15. The girls had a very good season with a lot of new freshman players, who really stepped it up and helped the team out in their time of need especially in the games against schools like Lake Central, Merrillville, and Munster. The girls on the J.V team all have high hopes of becoming Varsity starters in their years.





A usual Saying of the JV Volleyball team was "Turn It Off" according to Nicole Cummins.

The Results

	us	them
North Newton	15	0
Merrillville	11	15
Munster	8	15
Hobart	15	8
Clark	15	6
Portage	7	15
Bishop Noll	9	15
Gavit	15	7
Griffith	15	4
Hammond	16	14
Crown Point	15	6
Lake Station	15	6
Whiting	11	15
Hanover Central	15	2
Calumet	15	4
Highland	7	15
Lake Central	14	16
Morton	15	10
Andrean	15	5
J.V Tourney	16	14



"It was a fun year and we are going to miss Coach Kielman next year." Jill Porento

Alison Ellis, a freshman thinks, "Should I pose or should I play?"



Katie McQuiston, a sophomore, concentrates on serving the ball.



Mary Taylor and Kristin Kania wait patiently for the other team to be ready



Kristen O'Connell and Kristin Kania are both ready to dive for the same ball.



J.V./Freshmen Baseball



Freshman BACK: Ryan Lunsford, Justin Henley, Jim Jeffries, Jason Corns, Greg Johnson, Asa Calloway, MIDDLE: Manager Erin Kopka, Chris Drzba, Josh Strickling, Chukie Thompson, Nathan Oaf, Manager Lauren Levin. BACK: Kyle Govert, Mike Miller, Mike Stoner, Coach John Becker.



J.V. BACK: C.J Hall, Tim Simmons, Jason Butchart, Tom Lafleich,MIDDLE: Bill Brokke, Justin Bales, Nathan Wilbourn, Ryan Stamper, Matt Roberts. FRONT: Jacob Black, Randy Hall, Jeremy Schares, Matt Kopka.



Justin Bales



Jason Butchart

Jeremy Schares



Nathan Wilbourn



Matt Roberts



Matt Kopka



Junior Varsity Softball



BACK: Coach Sarah Hardger, Tina Arnold, Natalie Hanas, Rachel Voss, Mary Erpelding, Jennifer Lenzo,Becky Bailitz, Megan Bachinski, Heather Stevens,Nicole Johnson, Ashley Lukasik, Coach Matt HardgerFRONT: Manager Heather Rosenwinkle, Shannon Hemm, Kristen O'Connel, Katie Mitchell, Kristen Kania, Tiffany Meyers, Laurel Swart, Manager Megan Flores



Heather Stevens



Ashley Lukasik

Mary Erpelding



Katie Mitchell



Kristin Kania



The J.V. Team



Dedicated to

Michael Hepner

















If tears
were the stairways to heaven,
and pain was the pathway,
we would
be *together* again





To the world
you are one person,
but to one person
you are the world!















Mike Hepner is my
Best Friend and my
one true love. I love
him with all my heart
and I am counting
down the days 'til we
are together again.
You are my baby, and
I love you forever.
-Bekka Brown
fiance



"There are people whose watch stops at a certian hour and who remain permanently at that age."
Sainte-Beuve

"When a good man is hurt, all who would be considered good must suffer with him."
Euripides

I BELIEVE

I believe...
I believe in the world as an endless bounty,
Of which there is enough for everyone to have a piece.
I believe in close friendship and love,
Love that captures the heart in the deepest way possile.
I believe that trust is the basis for everything in life,
Trust enables us to live the way that we do.
I believe that the best experiences in life are yet to come.
I believe that a person's morals are what design their personality.
I believe in good times,
I believe in bad times,
I believe in getting through them both is what makes life exciting.
I believe creativity builds and also fuels the mind.\
But most of all,
I believe that what we all have learned is only a foundation,
We are responsible for building upon it.
I believe...



This book created and presented by the



2000-2001 Lowell High School yearbook staff.

Lowellian 2000-2001

Colophon

It is 2000, 2001, the new millenium...after spending a great deal of time attempting to come up with a really "cool" theme for this cool part in our history, a few students mentioned how it might be "cool" to have a simple theme involving some young kids on the cover. Well, this book is about the experiences of kids in Lowell High School, so we went with it. With regards to all the technology and the new millenium, a simple cover with some future Lowell High Schoolers on the cover is kind of refreshing. We hope you agree.

The Lowellian, Volume 31, was produced by students at Lowell High School in Lowell, IN, and printed by Herff Jones Yearbooks in Shawnee Mission, KS. The account was serviced by Ms. Lisa Keene and Ms. Julie Bogart. Pictures were serviced by Larry Titak Photography, who provided the staff with film, developing, and back-up photography assignments. The 2001 edition contains 16 full color pages and was produced using Adobe Pagemaker 6.5. At this time, approximately 420 books were sold to 1100 students at costs ranging from $29, $33, and $40.

This book was produced by students, and any errors are completely unintentional.

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Assistant to the Advisor: Bippus the Monkey
Assistant to Bippus: Sammy the Swamp Donkey

I am not a big fan of labels, but I do enjoy fairness, equality, and teamwork; thus, if you are wondering who was the design editor versus who was the sports editor versus who was in charge of selling ads versus who was the main editor, every kid took part in every aspect of producing this book.



This space is dedicated to all of those unintentionally left out of this book. Put your picture here.

As life goes, through all the negativity, headaches, and general pains in the rump, when reflecting back one usually remembers the good times. This is never the case when it comes to yearbook making... It is noontime on Friday, July 6th, and while many of my colleagues are golfing and the yearbook staffers are licking snow cones in the park, I am sitting here in Room 109 thinking back. Hmm. I can think of very few joyful times in class because the staff spent their time leaving class doing "yearbook work" or consumed with e-mailing their dream date from Sweden (who, as we know, is actually Hank the toothless redneck from Kentucky). I can think of absolutely no financial support from the school. I reflect back on the irony of trying to implement shrewd business ideas that would raise money, and then having the school--who provides no money--shoot down the idea. I am recalling some ridiculous complaints and idiotic comments from the people in the community. The only thing I can recall from this yearbook experience--my 4th--is what a talented group of kids I was blessed with. My thanks to you. This is my space to rant and rave or give praise--the ranting and raving is complete and no one likes a whiner, so let me honor, praise, and simply thank the following people:

First and foremost, Mr. Bill Schmidt, Ms. Pat Nemeth, and Mr. Bob Thomas. Since Bob previously received two pages worth of dedication, let me mention Bill and Pat here. Bill and his wonderful family are off to a new teaching job and Pat is retiring. If we made a yearbook for each of you regarding the impact you have had on the kids here (and on me), you would need one big truck to haul those books around. Teachers, like the students, can be involved with gossiping, forming cliques, and complaining (we're all human afterall). It was never this way with Bill and Pat. I enjoyed speaking with Bill and Pat, because a good laugh or a positive comment or some kind words would always prevail. Bill Schmidt and Pat Nemeth are not only great teachers, they are great human beings. Lowell High School will be a little more dreary without your brightness and kindness. I will miss you both greatly (as will the kids!)

To my always supportive family (sorry ma, you know I have to throw in a few inappropriate and crass comments). To Tuco (a.k.a., "Too Cool" or "Crazy Bastard"). Thanks for allowing me to delegate some stress toward cleaning up your urine, vacuuming your hair every 15 minutes via your constant shedding, and for spinning around and biting my face and fingers after dabbling in yearbook.

To all of those people who are frightened right now because I gave a tribute to a filthy, obnoxious pug. Ha, ha.

Ms. Deb Casey, Mr. Dan Hein, and Mrs. Wendy Magley. You people are the greatest. I do not know why or how I ended up in Lowell, Indiana. I like to think it is so I had the honor and pleasure of meeting you. Thanks for the support and great memories.

Thank you Karla Denton, Sandy Favors, and Anna Holding. The yearbook cannot happen without your patience, kindness, and the information you provide.

Thank God for Lisa Keene, Julie Bogart, and Jim and Larry. Enough said.

Linda Pastusak. Whatever snag we face, Linda is right there either smoothing things out for us or giving us a great deal of warmth and support as we the yearbook staff are constantly seeking purchase orders. She understands the stress behind raising/needing money for yearbook and she is sincere as she listens to me complain about it--on top of the other crap she has to deal with. Thank you. You are truly wonderful.

Mary Cusic. You are a fantastic department head. Thanks for your support. I admire your energy and enthusiasm. You are a blessing to the kids as your desserts are a blessing to my stomach. To Matt Williams ("Willie") (see picture) A great student I had in the past who was utterly left out of his senior yearbook last year. We apologize, as we apologize to all those students left out of the yearbook. Rather it's the fault of the parent, student, photographer, or as is usually the case the fault of the yearbook staff, it would be nice to have ALL students represented in this book (or at least the ones who bought one--ha, ha)

With regards to the yearbook staff. This is my opportunity to rip those who did not care enough to do a good job, who treated their assigned yearbook pages like some simple homework assignment that could be blown off, who were more concerned with their own selfish lives and what they were doing during the upcoming weekend--rather than representing their fellow students and community. I refuse to take that opportunity. My views of a yearbook staff is that the staff is like a team, a family, a unit. The fault of one is the fault of us all. Besides, I am the "leader", so any errors or work not done--I yell and rip on myself. I want to be sure to praise those students who deserve praise: Ah, never mind. You know who you are. You know if you stepped up and did the best you could despite my lack of preparing you properly, you know if you cared enough to do a great job, you know if you kept your promise and came in over the summer and actually completed your work, you know which of you truly cared and which of you cared less. Big thanks to those who cared. Thanks to the few of you, this book will be pretty good. Particular thanks to Jen Kleefisch, who had all of her work done before summer (and then some) yet still came in--almost everyday--over the summer. She picked up the loads of slack left by many of those who cared not to come in after school was out.. How unselfish and caring are you? Thanks so much. To my "non"-yearbook kids. I hope I did not sound too negative as I rambled on about my yearbook advising experience. I love teaching because all of my students are so great. Thanks a lot.

My greatest thanks and my biggest hug goes out to Erin (this is NOT the hooker from last year who helped me with those awesome sand castles!) You were unfairly treated by this school system...let me be the representative of LHS to treat you like the angel you are. You may not realize it, but you have had a profound impact on me. I'm not talking about the absorbing of my complaints regarding yearbook and how you make me smile and how you make it worthwhile to wake up in the morning. I'm talking about how you are you, how beautiful, caring, warm, giving, and loving you are. You have been through an awful lot, yet the light within you shines so vividly. You are the most beautiful person I have ever met (You can't argue with me now--it's officially in print). You make me understand that those foolish nuisances associated with yearbook making outlined above aren't really that bad, and that yeah, life is great...because you are in my life. You are the best. I'll never be able to repay the happiness you have given to me, but I will forever try. All of my love.

Thanks to anyone I forgot. Best of wishes to all.

Shane Charpentier

Congratulations, Jennifer!

We are very proud of you and wish you all the best in whatever you do!

Love Always, Forever & Ever!
Mom & Dad





Sara,
May all your dreams come true.
We are very proud of you.

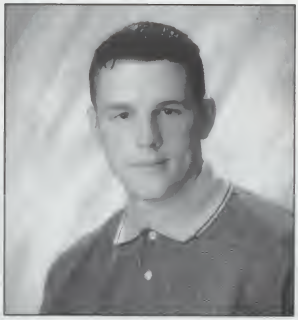
Love,
Mom, Dad, and Natalie

Congratulations CHRIS!

Thank you for bringing so much joy into our lives. May all of your goals and dreams come true. We are so very proud of you.



Love,
Dad, Mom
C.J., Monica, Kerri, Brian,
Brittany, & Austin



Tony,
You've brought us so much joy into our lives. We are so proud of you.
Love, Mom and Dad





Lindsey,
We are very proud of you.
Love Dad, Mom, Jennifer



Congratulations
Danielle!
Love,
Mom, Dad, Nicole and Dana

Chrissy,
We are very proud of you.
Love, Mom & Dad





Bridgie,

We are so proud of you. Congrats! Keep reaching for your dreams.

All Our Love,
Mom & Dad

Chris,

We couldn't be more proud of you. It's always been clear to us you'd be someone special.

Love,
Mom & Dad





Katy,

As you begin on this new journey--know that in our hearts you will always be "our little girl"

Love-
Mom & Dad

Nikki

We are so proud of you and want you to know we will always be here for you. Here's wishing all your dreams come true.

Congratulations
We Love You
Mom, Dad, & Brandi





Jules,

As you step out into the world, choose your steps wisely. They will guide you to achieve your goals, to realize your dreams. I am very proud of the young lady you've become & I know my pride in you will only continue to deepen.

I Love You,
Mom XXOO

Brianne:

Congratulations, Brianne. We are proud of you! Love: Mom, Dad, Rickey, Bampy, Gram, Uncle P-dog, Tammy Sue.





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I WISH YOU THE BEST OF LUCK IN WHATEVER YOU DO!

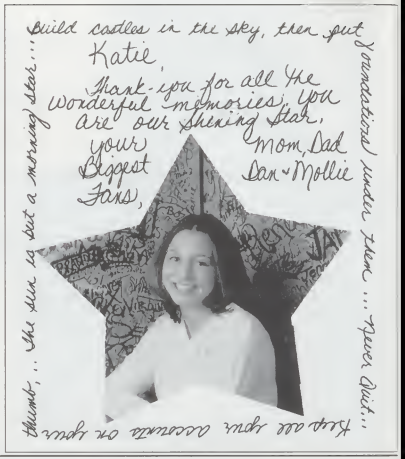
Pam

Tonya-

We Love You and are so proud of you.
Your accomplishments are endless.

Love Mom, Dad, Chuck







Jason

Thank you for the years of pride and happiness you have given us.

We Love You

Mom, Larry, Grandma & Grandpa

Erica,

We are all so very proud of you. You have brought love & joy into our lives. May your dreams come true.

We will love you always
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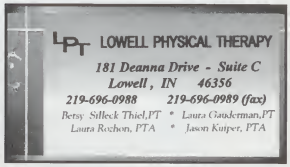
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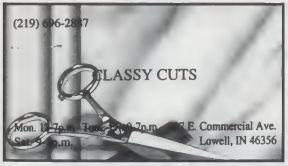
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world events



Recently-elected Mexican President Vicente Fox is restoring citizens' faith in the Mexican government. He vowed to clean up the crime, poverty, and corruption that faced his country and enjoyed a 70 percent approval rating in recent polls.



Concorde crashes A Concorde aircraft crashes in flames north of Paris in July. Investigators believed a strip of metal debris on the runway punctured a tire and started a fire in the fuel tanks that caused the crash that killed 113 people.



Ariel Sharon owns Prime Minister Ehud Barak in a February 6 special election for Israeli prime minister. Sharon won the election by campaigning to bring "peace and security" to Israel.



Estimates claim that as many as a million people are left homeless and thousands dead after an earthquake strikes northern India in January 2001.



The USS Greeneville mishaplenly hits and sinks the Japanese fishing vessel Ehime Maru while 16 civilians are aboard the sub. Nine people, including four 17-year-old students, die in the mishap.



As a result of the hot, dry summer, thousands of wildfires break out in the western US burning millions of acres of forest as well as hundreds of homes. The fires were so intense at one point that the state of Montana closed its borders to tourism.

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After seven months and many court battles, Elian Gonzalez and his family return to Cuba. Found floating off the coast of Florida, Elian had been in the middle of an international custody battle to determine whether he should stay with relatives in the US or his father in Cuba.



Firestone tires are blamed for more than 170 traffic deaths and the company is forced to replace more than six million tires in a massive recall.



Former Canadian Prime Minister Pierre Trudeau dies in January at 80 years of age. Trudeau was Canada's prime minister from 1968 until 1979, and again served from 1980 until 1984.



An apparent terrorist attack on the USS Cole while in port in Aden, Yemen, kills 17 sailors and wounds several. The attack blew a hole in the port side of the ship.



An explosion rocks the Russian submarine Kursk in the Barents Sea on August 12 killing the entire crew of 118. A week after the explosion, divers reached the rear hatch of the sub but found no survivors.



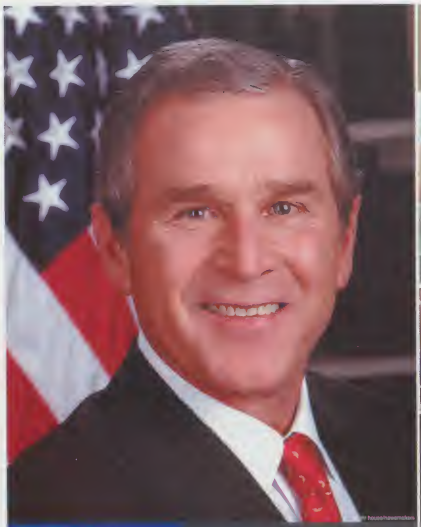
Newly-elected Yugoslavian President Vojislav Kostunica speaks to over 400,000 opposition supporters from the balcony of city hall as protestors take over the Federal Parliament building and set the state television station ablaze.



The battle of two couples that used an online adoption agency to adopt twins continues. The Kilshaws from Wales and the Allens from California both claimed to have adopted the same set of twin baby girls.



A major earthquake strikes the Seattle area on February 28. The quake, with a magnitude of 6.8, was centered approximately 30 miles southwest of Seattle. Many buildings had structural damage, but there were relatively few injuries and no deaths.



Election 2000

George W. Bush selects Dick Cheney, former Wyoming representative, and former secretary of defense as his vice-presidential running mate on the Republican ticket.

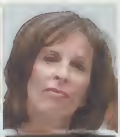
The 2000 presidential election was in many ways decided by not just the voters but the courts. Five weeks after election day, the US Supreme Court blocked Al Gore's request to have disputed Florida ballots recounted. George W. Bush and Dick Cheney won the election after being awarded Florida's 25 electoral votes.

Antiquated voting methods in this age of technology threw the presidential election into turmoil. Punch card ballots, and the accompanying "Votomatic" system were first created in the 1960s. Disputed ballots had chads, or paper fragments hanging from the punch card that made it difficult for voting machines to read the ballots.





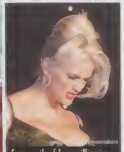
Painstaking manual recounts are performed by several Florida counties.



Denise Rich, friend of Bill Clinton and ex-wife of fugitive financier Marc Rich, is under suspicion for contributions to the Clinton that might have influenced the pardon of her ex-husband.



Al Gore and Lieberman contest election returns, voters respond negatively to the lengthy battle.



Former wife of Texas millionaire, Anna Nicole Smith is awarded $475 million from a California court. A Texas court overruled the California judge's ruling.



Al Gore chooses Joseph Lieberman, senator from Connecticut, as his running mate in the 2000 presidential election. Lieberman, though unsuccessful in the presidential election, was reelected to the Senate by Connecticut voters.



Missouri governor Mel Carnahan dies in a plane crash while campaigning for the US Senate. Wife Jean Carnahan was appointed to fill the seat won posthumously by her husband.



Robert Hanssen faces charges of spying for the Soviet Union, and later Russia, for a period of almost 15 years. Hanssen was a 25-year veteran of the FBI.



Israeli Prime Minister Ehud Barak and Palestinian Chairman Yasser Arafat hold peace talks. The talks stalled and violence erupted in the region.



Jesse Jackson asks forgiveness after revealing he fathered an out-of-wedlock child with a staff member of his civil rights organization.



Bill Clinton's presidential legacy appears clouded by several controversial pardons. He sets up his post-presidency office in Harlem, after negative publicity swirls concerning his plans to rent expensive office space in Manhattan.



General Colin Powell is selected by George W. Bush to serve as secretary of state. He is the first African-American to serve in this capacity.



First Lady Hillary Clinton becomes Senator Clinton from New York. Rudy Giuliani was her first opponent, but left the race after a cancer diagnosis. Rick Lazio stepped in as challenger, but lost to Clinton who earned 55 percent of the vote. It was the most expensive Senate race in US history, as combined the candidates spent more than $90 million.



Crowds gathered in London to celebrate the beloved Queen Mother's 100th birthday in August.



A federal court judge orders Napster to remove copyrighted music from its Web directory. Record labels fight to shut down the service which boasts over 60 million users.

other news

Celebrating "the beginning of the end" of WWII and the men who led the invasion, the National D-Day Museum opened in New Orleans, Louisiana.

For the first time in its 208 year history, the US Mint misprinted a coin and released several Sacagawea $1 gold coins with the face of George Washington.

Senator Paul Coverdell (R-Georgia) died in a Georgia hospital one day after suffering a cerebral hemorrhage.

Vice President Dick Cheney returned to work after a visit to the hospital for a heart ailment. Surgeons reopened an artery that had been previously repaired with the same procedure.

As the stock markets and economic indicators slide, the Bush administration fought to pass a $1.6 trillion tax break that promises to jump start the US economy.

Holocaust survivor Leopold "Paul" Page, whose personal diary inspired the book and film "Schindler's List," died at age 87.

The son of Princess Diana and Prince Charles, England's Prince William celebrated his 18th birthday.

Sirimavo Bandaranaike, the world's first female Prime Minister died at age 84. She was from Sri Lanka.

John Cardinal O'Connor, New York's Archbishop, died at the age of 80.

Author Robert Ludlum died at 73. His most popular novels included *The Bourne Identity*, *The Bourne Supremacy*, and *The Bourne Ultimatum*.

Controversial talk show host Morton Downey Jr., died of lung cancer at the age of 67. Downey pioneered "trash TV" in the 80's.

tv and movies



The political drama *West Wing* has a phenomenal year winning nine Emmys, a record for a show in its first season. Series star Martin Sheen also won a Golden Globe for Best Actor in a Drama Series.



Teen pop-drama *Felicity*, starring Scott Foley, Tangi Miller, Keri Russell, and Scott Speedman, sees a double-digit increase in ratings during its third season.



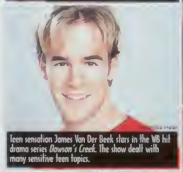
Hollywood is shocked by the split of the industry's golden couple. Married since 1990, Tom Cruise and Nicole Kidman blamed the failure of their marriage on the difficulties involved in divergent careers.



Ang Lee's stunning martial arts drama, *Crouching Tiger Hidden Dragon*, receives 10 Oscar nominations including Best Picture and Best Foreign Film.



Will and Grace takes home Emmys for Outstanding Comedy Series, Best Supporting Actor for Sean Hayes and Best Supporting Actress for Megan Mullally.



Teen sensation James Van Der Beek stars in the WB hit drama series *Dawson's Creek*. The show dealt with many sensitive teen topics.



Dark Angel, starring Jessica Alba, wins the People's Choice Award for Favorite New Drama Series.



Julia Roberts wins a Golden Globe and an Oscar nomination for her role as *Erin Brockovich*. She also starred with Brad Pitt in *The Mexican*.



Frankie Muniz continues to charm fans as a reluctant genius in the Fox comedy *Malcolm in the Middle*.



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70s revival hits the big screen The box office finds the allure of Charlie's Angels as the movie takes in $40 million on its opening weekend – Lucy Liu, Cameron Diaz, and Drew Barrymore personified "girl power."



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Michael J. Fox leaves television to spend more time with his family and raise money to find a cure for Parkinson's disease. In his final year on *Spin City*, he won an Emmy, a Golden Globe, and a Silk award. His final episode aired on *May 24*, and 33 million viewers tuned in to say good-bye.



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Jennifer Aniston and Brad Pitt marry in July 2000. The nuptials were held in Malibu, California and cost an estimated $1 million.



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Samuel L. Jackson recreates the character of John Shaft, the private eye made famous in the 1971 film of the same name. The 2000 *Shaft* debuted in the number one spot, taking in $21 million.



A heavily made-up Jim Carrey brings one of literature's most famous characters to the big screen in *Dr. Seuss' How the Grinch Stole Christmas*. It was the biggest box office hit of the year, taking in more than $260 million.



An estimated 51 million viewers watch corporate trainer Richard Hatch outfoxed, outwit, and outplay his fellow *Survivor* contestants in the first season finale.



A wave of reality-based shows like *The Mole* (above), *Big Brother*, and *Temptation Island* gain popularity.

other entertainment news

Mob drama *The Sopranos* was the highest rated program ever shown on HBO. Star James Gandolfini won an Emmy for Outstanding Lead Actor in a Drama Series.

Broadway's longest-running show, *Cats* closed after nearly 18 years and a record 7,485 performances.

Scottish actor Sean Connery, star of seven James Bond films, was knighted by Queen Elizabeth.

Mission Impossible 2 opened on Memorial Day weekend and grosses nearly $71 million. The movie went on to make over $200 million.

This was the year that several celebrity couples called it quits. Alec Baldwin and Kim Basinger, Harrison Ford and Melissa Mathison, Garth and Sandy Brooks, and Dennis Quaid and Meg Ryan all ended their long-term marriages.

The year's biggest movies were *Cast Away*, *Meet the Parents*, *What Lies Beneath*, *Big Mamma's House*, *Save the Last Dance*, *Miss Congeniality*, and *Hannibal*.

The world remembers:

- Sir John Gielgud, best remembered as the butler in *Arthur* in 1981. Gielgud died in May at 96.
- *Star Wars* 'Obi Wan Kenobi, Sir Alec Guinness died at the age of 86.
- Steve Allen, the TV host who invented the late-night talk show, died at 78.
- Nancy Marchand, best known for her roles in *Lou Grant* and *The Sopranos* died a day before her 72nd birthday.
- Jason Robards, one of Hollywood's most respected actors, made more than 50 films and won two Academy Awards, died in December.
- Other entertainers that passed away this year included Richard Farnsworth, Loretta Young, and Gwen Verdon.



George Clooney and Mark Wahlberg star in *The Perfect Storm*, the tale of the ill-fated "Andrea Gail." The movie grossed over $186 million.



Scary Movie spoofs the teen slasher flicks and laughs all the way to box office.



Zany host Regis Philbin gives away millions in cash prizes on ABC's hit game show *Who Wants to be a Millionaire?*



Family-friendly television series *7th Heaven* celebrates its remarkable 300th episode.



Australian actor Russell Crowe fights his way to stardom in the epic *Gladiator*. The movie earned 12 Oscar nominations including Best Picture, Best Actor, Best Supporting Actor, Best Director, and Best Original Screenplay. The film grossed more than $187 million and won the Golden Globe for Best Picture, Drama.





Mel Gibson has three hit movies in 2000 - *The Patriot*, *Chicken Run* (above), and *What Women Want*. He won two People's Choice awards and the sword he carried in *Braveheart* sold for $174,000 at a charity auction.



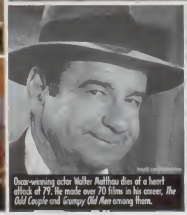
NBC's *ER* remains one of television's most watched dramas. Despite the loss of several lead characters over past seasons, the show was renewed through 2004.



Total Request Live's hunky host Carson Daly breaks the hearts of teenage girls everywhere by proposing to *American Pie*'s Tara Reid.



NBC's *Friends* continues to be a fan favorite despite the threat from CBS's *Survivor II* moving into the Thursday night time slot.



Oscar-winning actor Walter Matthau dies of a heart attack at 79. He made over 70 films in his career, *The Odd Couple* and *Grumpy Old Men* among them.



A photo of Clayton Moore in his *Lone Ranger* costume goes on the auction block at Sotheby's.



Diva Christina Aguilera has a busy year headlining her first tour, recording a duet with Ricky Martin, "Nobody Wants to be Lonely," and releasing a Christmas album.



Faith Hill, America's sweetheart walked away with Grammy wins in Best Female Country Vocal Performance "Breathe," Best Country Album "Breathe," and Best Country Collaboration With Vocals for "Let's Make Love," sharing the latter award with husband Tim McGraw.



Creed receives an American Music Award for their *Human Clay* album in the Best Pop or Rock Music category. They were also given four Blockbuster Awards, including Group of the Year, Best Rock Group, Best CD, and Best Single – for their smash hit "Higher."



The Red Hot Chili Peppers score the Video Vanguard award at MTV's 2000 Video Music Awards along with two VMAs.



Billy Gilman wins "Favorite New Country Artist" at the American Music Awards. His single "One Voice" was a million-seller.



Lead singer Billy Corgan announces the break up of the Smashing Pumpkins after nearly thirteen years of performing together.



The hot single "He Wasn't Man Enough" wins Toni Braxton a Grammy for Female R&B Vocal Performance and a Grammy nomination for R&B Song. She also won Female R&B/Hip Hop Artist of the Billboard Music Awards, as well as Soul/Rhythm & Blues Favorite Artist and Favorite Album at the American Music Awards.



Duo Montgomery Gentry, Eddie Montgomery and Troy Gentry, display their Best Duo Award from the Academy of Country Music Awards.



Rapper Eminem wins a Grammy for Best Rap Album – "The Marshall Mathers LP." He also won Best Rap Solo and Best Rap Duo/Group Performance.



"I Hope You Dance" wins Single of the Year for Lee Ann Womack at the Annual Music Awards. Womack also won the Grammy for Best Country Song.



U2 comes away with Grammys for Record of the Year, Song of the Year, and Best Rock Performance By A Duo/Group, all for "Beautiful Day."



Lil' Bow Wow's platinum debut "Beware of Dog" features the hit single, –Bow Wow (That's My Name)."



Pop diva Pink tops the charts with the release of "Can't Take Me Home."



Jennifer Lopez hits the top of the music and movie charts with "J.Lo" and the Wedding Planner. The end of her relationship with rapper Sean "Puff Daddy" Combs was announced on Valentines Day. At the time, Combs was on trial for weapons and bribery charges.



"Say My Name" by Destiny's Child wins Grammys for R&B Vocal Performance by a Duo or Group and R&B Song.



Madonna attends the premiere of Snatch with director and new husband Guy Ritchie.



After five albums and 11 years on the music scene, funk rocker Lenny Kravitz releases his greatest hits collection, featuring "Again."



The Grammy for Best Dance Recording goes to the title track of "Who Let the Dogs Out" by the Baha Men.



Bad boy rockers Limp Bizkit's "Chocolate Starfish and the Hot Dog Flavored Water" top the billboard charts with more than 1 million copies sold in its first week. These huge sales grabbed Limp Bizkit the #6 slot on the biggest one-week sellers of all time.



Macy Gray wins the Best New Artist Award for her "I try" video at the ATV Video Music Awards! Gray also won a Grammy for Best Female Pop Vocal Performance.



D'Angelo takes home a Male R&B Vocal Performance Grammy for "Untitled (How Does It Feel)."



Pop-punk trio Blink 182 wins Best Group Video at the ATV Awards.



Kid Rock is awarded Favorite Male Artist Rock Music in the American Music Awards.

other music news

The debut album *Liquid Dreams* from the O-Town band was highly anticipated. The band was the creation of mogul Clive Davis and Lou Pearlman through ABC's show, *Making of the Band*. The second season of the show will follow the band on their first headlining tour.

The foursome *Dream* came together after an audition intended to create an incredible girl band. "Puffy" Combs signed the four girls to his Bad Boy label. Their sound was hip-hop with a pop inflection could be heard on their debut album, "It was all a Dream."

Aaron Carter was a pint-size sensation who wowed audiences all over the world. He followed in the footsteps of his big brother, Nick of the Backstreet Boys. According to the Guinness World Record, Aaron was the youngest recording artist to have four consecutive top-ten hits.

Thirty-year-old Colleen Fitzpatrick, known as Vitamin C, released her second album, "Move."

Cameron Crowe recreated his days as a teenage reporter covering the Seventies music scene for Rolling Stone in the movie *Almost Famous*.

Considered King of the Mambo and King of Timbales, percussionist and bandleader Tito Puente died at 77.

Metallica frontman James Helfield was injured forcing him to miss nearly a month of the Summer Sanitarium Tour.

Prominent bands from the 70s and 80s lost members within the past year. Benjamin Orr of the Cars died of pancreatic cancer. Paul Young, vocalist for Mike and the Mechanics hit "All I Need is a Miracle" died in July. Jerome Smith, guitarist for KC and the Sunshine Band died in a construction accident.

trends and technology



Descent of the Air space station raises fears that it will cause damage when it reenters the earth's atmosphere. Once the pride of the Russian space program, the outdated Air became a casualty of aging technology.



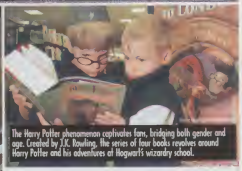
The engineers at Volkswagen Automotive do it again with their new Alcatalus. Designers were able to pull off a new look for an old cult favorite, while incorporating a vision for the future. Surfboard optional.



Sony releases the Playstation2 to the North American market in October 2000. The unit is equipped with DVD movie playback, an expansion bay, and a network adapter. Way cool!



Hitting streets and towns everywhere, scooters, better known as Razors, became the trendiest new form of teen transportation.



The Harry Potter phenomenon captivates fans, bridging both gender and age. Created by J.K. Rowling, the series of four books revolves around Harry Potter and his adventures at Hogwarts wizardry school.



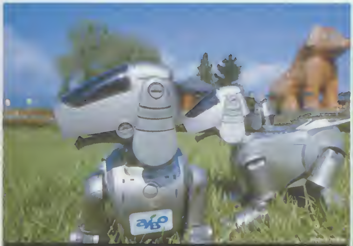
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Apple introduces the G4 Cube, equipped with top-loading writable CD drive and a fan-free cooling system for a completely silent workspace.



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Samsung releases the Uproar SPH-M100 MP3 cellular phone. No bigger than a large pack of gum, it can be used to download and play MP3 tunes.



The second-generation Aibo dog from Sony takes the market by storm. Definitely the present to get, each robot dog is equipped with a computer, which in turn allows it to learn from real life experience.



Heinz adds the new flavorful color green to its line of ketchup, snagging a curious audience.



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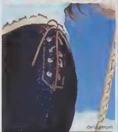
Flower Powered iMacs From the people who brought you the multicolored iMacs and iBooks, Apple introduces the new line of special edition iMacs – funky, yet powerful!



Singer Pink shows off her trademark, spiked pink hair. The hair style was often duplicated by teens everywhere.



70's dos and shades are back.



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Side-tie strings are the latest in jean fashion.



From Madonna to the mall, the lace-front camisole makes an appearance everywhere you look.



Fashion goes back to the basics with denim and tiny tank tops.



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Loose and comfortable are the only requirements for todays PJs.

other trends and technology news

Trying to put computer users more "in touch" with what they see on-screen, Logitech introduced the iFeel MouseMan mouse which shakes and vibrates as the user rolls over an image that has texture.

Scientists from both the US and England announced completion of the mapping of the human genome.

Boots were back in the wardrobe this year from short and clunky, to the tall over-the-calf styles.

Visa introduced the Buxx card. This is a parent controlled, reloadable card for teens. It taught teens how to manage money while parents set predetermined spending amounts.

Researchers produced a genetically altered monkey with DNA from a jellyfish. This was the first primate successfully altered genetically.

An international group of fertility experts announced plans to be the first to clone a human being. There was strong dissension from both the scientific community and religious leaders worldwide.

Move over Palm Pilots – Anoto AB came out with the Anoto pen, which allows the user to simply write on any surface and to transfer data to any computer.

Clothing in the "hip hop, cool, absolutely-must-have" area were halter tops, tanks, head scarves, hot shorts, neon digital watches, and stacked platform shoes.

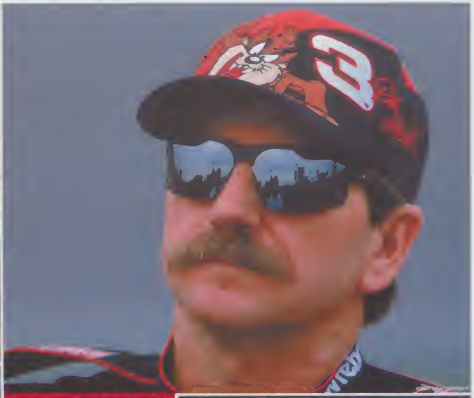
Fringe, ruffles, and beads made dressing up fun and glamorous.

AOL, a Time Warner company, released its 6.0 online Internet service and boasted over 28 million members worldwide.

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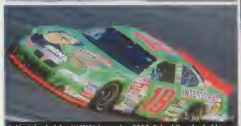


Top seed Pete Sampras remains king of the tennis world. He claimed a record 13 Grand Slam titles with a come-from-behind victory on the grass courts at Wimbledon, England.

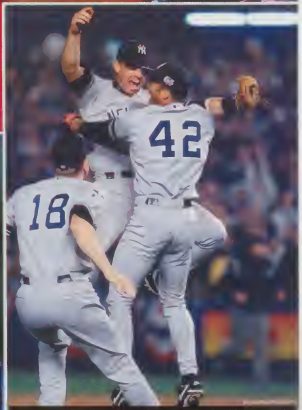


Racing legend Dale Earnhardt dies in crash at Daytona

Seven-time NASCAR Winston Cup champion, Dale Earnhardt, dies from injuries sustained in a crash on the last lap of the 2001 Daytona 500. Known as one of the best at his sport, the man in black's number three was recognizable to all.



Bobby Labonte takes NASCAR's top spot in 2000. Behind the wheel of his #18 Interstate Batteries Pontiac, Labonte places in the top five an impressive 19 times, including four wins.



Winning a record 26th World Series Championship, the New York Yankees defeat the New York Mets in what is known as the "Subway Series," four games to one.



Winning the US Open by a record 15 shots, golfer Tiger Woods picks up his third major, adding to his 1997 Masters and 1999 PGA Championship. Woods also became the fastest and youngest player to win golf's "career grand slam," having now claimed victories in the US Open, the Masters, the PGA Championship, and the British Open.



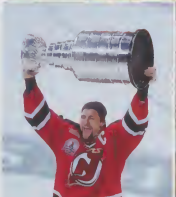
Vince McMahon, the man who introduced the world to the wonders of the World Wrestling Federation, attempts to bring the same raw feet to football with the XFL – Xtreme Football League.



The Dallas Cowboys waive quarterback Troy Aikman after 12 seasons. Aikman who suffered 10 concussions in those 12 years, led the Cowboys to six division championships and three Super Bowl Championships. Steve Young announced his retirement after 15 years with the San Francisco 49ers. The 38-year-old quarterback won two MVP Awards and led the team to a Super Bowl victory.



Winning their first NCAA Basketball title in over 20 years, the Michigan State Spartans held off the Florida Gators for an 89-76 victory.



The New Jersey Devils come home with the top prize in hockey, the Stanley Cup, after a hard-fought overtime victory against the Dallas Stars.



Super Bowl XXXV and halftime extravaganza The Baltimore Ravens' unstoppable defense helps carry them to a Super Bowl victory with a 34-7 routing of the New York Giants. And the halftime show wasn't bad either, featuring showcase acts like rockers Aerosmith, teen-idols Britney Spears and N*SYNC, as well as hip-hopsters Nelly and Mary J. Blige.



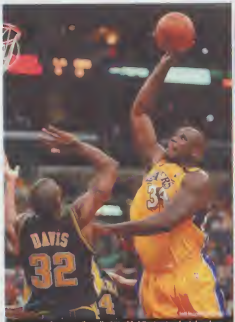
Following an altercation with an Indiana University student, Bobby Knight is fired from his long-time position as head coach of the Indiana Hoosiers.



The University of Oklahoma Sooners shut down the Florida State Seminoles, winning their first NCAA Football championship in 15 years. The 2001 FedEx Orange Bowl defensive bowl ended with a final score of 13-2.



Becoming only the second professional sports team to win four consecutive championships in two decades, the WNBA Houston Comets defeat the NY Liberty.



In an MVP performance, Shaquille O'Neal led the Los Angeles Lakers to their first NBA title in a dozen years with a 116 – 111 victory over the Indiana Pacers in game six of the NBA Finals.



Canadian triathlete Simon Whitfield overcomes a near disastrous cycling accident to win the gold medal in the 2000 Olympic Games.



After defeating Serena in the women's singles, Venus Williams went on to beat Lindsay Davenport in the Olympic tennis finals. The Williams sisters joined up to win the gold medal in the women's doubles final.



Setting a record for the most medals won by a female Olympic athlete, Marion Jones wins five medals in the 2000 Sydney Summer Olympic Games: three gold and two bronze.



American Rulon Gardner wins the gold medal for Greco-Roman Wrestling at the 2000 Sydney Summer Olympic Games. Rulon defeated Russian Alexander Karelin, who had gone undefeated for 13 years.



Cancer survivor Lance Armstrong wins 2000 Tour de France American cyclist Lance Armstrong sported the honored yellow jersey again after winning his second Tour de France.



Dutch swimmer Pieter van den Hoogenband surprises the swimming world when he takes the Olympic gold medal in the 200 meter freestyle, defeating the hometown favorite "The Thorpedo" Thorpe.



Narrowly defeating Lithuania in the Paris Basketball semifinals, and France in the finals, the USA "Dream Team" wins Olympic gold.

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